

## **Sermons of Walter Stafford Swetnam, PhD** **(1900 – 2000)**

### Minibiography

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# DECISION ACC TO THE WILL OF GOD

WE... BEGGED HIM NOT TO GO..... WHEN HE WOULD NOT BE PERSUADED... THE WILL OF THE LORD BE DONE.

-- ACTS 21:12-14

INT. - MAKING DECISIONS - YR CHOICE OF CAREER, CHOICE OF COLLEGE, ANYONE CHOICE OF TWO OR MORE COURSES, EMPLOYMENTS, ETC. WHEN OUR LIVES ARE COMMITTED TO GOD, WE CAN EXPECT HIM GUIDANCE IN THESE CHOICES

1. SOMETIMES CHOICES MADE FOR US BY SHUTTING ALL DOORS BUT ONE -- SAYS ALL, IT SEEMS BY A VISION, OUR OWN OR OF OTHERS
2. STHS BY A VISION, WE SOUGHT TO GO... REAUL SAW THE VISION, HE SOUGHT TO GO...
3. STHS BY COMMON PRUDENCE, TO AVOID DANGERS, CONFLICTS, RISKS -- *but not always*
4. STHS BY UNREST OF SPIRIT -- *but not always*
5. STHS BY INWARD CONVICTION THIS IS RIGHT

## II BASIS OF DECISION

1. RESULTS FOR MYSELF AND OTHERS
2. RESULTS IN TOTAL PLAN OF GOD
3. OPTIM IN MEETING OF MINDS - "SPOKE THRO SPIRIT, BEGGED HIM NOT TO GO... AND OTHERS BEGGEEN NOTHING TO BE CALLED BY GOING, MUCH TO BE LOST - RIGHT, AT LAST. BUT OUT OF THE GOSPEL OF LUKE, ACTS, PRISON EPIS., HOW MUCH MORE?

III THE WILL OF THE LORD BE DONE

1. IT WILL BE ANYWAY - BUT HOW MANY POSSIBILITIES WITHIN IT?
2. NOT HEREBLY SUBMISSION, BUT COOPERATION
3. ULTIMATE SIGNIFICANCE OF LIFE - TO BE SONS OF GOD, PART OF GOD, HIS WILL OUR WILL

*Because Paul spent time in prison, in Palestine, where he had opportunity of seeing*

"Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?..." "It is not for you to know.... But you shall receive power... and you shall be my witnesses..."

-- Acts 1:6-8

INT. - Independence Day - Polit. turmoil

1. Israel, Messiah was a political idea
1. Religious, too, but esp. political
2. Independence from Rome - for what?
3. Better off under Roman law and order
4. Look at the past - Egypt, Babylon....
5. A kingdom not of this world

## II Freedom

1. Thank God for freedom -- political, economic. *Liberation Theology*
2. Does God care about liberation? YES!
3. Does God care only for liberation?
4. Was colonialism wholly bad? Have not many countries, freed from colonial rule, "swapped the devil for the with rule, to live in fear of Russian invasion - Bangladesh live in fear of us. Ps. 33:17 "A horn is a vain thing for safety" no horse, plane, ship, bomb.... If we had courage and faith to say, "no more nuclear weapons" - even, "no more weap"
6. Slavery long a fact of life. 1 Cor 7: 21. Care nothing; but ...
7. As God's people, safe and free, whatever

## III The Kingdom of God

1. Willa visible kingdom of grass"
2. The church, the conscience of the sto
3. ot to carry on political activity, but to declare God's will, call kings and rulers to obey God's law

IV Not for you to know Times and Seasons

1. Future interpretation of SS has led many astray
2. Leave the future to God.
3. Accept worldly authority as fact of life, obey as far as possible, but

What I may know him, and the power of his name... obtain the resurrection from the dead." 16-23-- Phil. 1:10-11

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14. I know him, and the power of his name... obtain the resurrection from the dead." 16-23-- Phil. 1:10-11

15. I know him, and the power of his name... obtain the resurrection from the dead." 16-23-- Phil. 1:10-11

Take you out twelve stones

Int. The Crossing of Jordan  
The stones for the twelve tribes  
in memory of passing from  
I to another land - Canaan

1. Stones of Commemoration  
2. New Year - bringing the past  
3. Future - making the present

## II. Markers of achievement

1. Boundary stones
2. Importance of individual  
3. 275 mi. to Babylon

## III. Trinitarian stones

1. Stones of adversity - when  
2. Foot of adversity - when  
3. We need the leaders of stone  
4. If we have hearts of stone  
5. God can remove them

## IV. Corner stones

1. Corner stones - security  
2. Corner stones - building  
3. Corner stones - foundation

When his stripes we are healed

Int. "When we are healed"  
The stripes we are healed  
The stripes we are healed  
The stripes we are healed

## I. The stripes we are healed

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## II. The stripes we are healed

1. When Jesus was here, he healed  
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5. When Jesus was here, he healed

## III. The stripes we are healed

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## EDOMITES

"For the day of the Lord is near upon all  
As yet have come, it shall be done to you,  
Your deeds shall return on your own head."

Int. Obadiah, Ek. of M. seagorost in Bib

1. Obadiah Preached against the Edomites  
2. Descendants of Esau, living in Arabah  
3. Capital Teman (aft. Petra)  
4. Built high on cliffs. of. v.v. 3, 4

2. Important bee. of mines, highway, port -  
Recent excavations at Telon-Jober
3. 37 days Idumean, Antioch was Idumean  
father of Herod the Great

## II Judgment of God on Nation that Rejected

1. Altho kindred people, refused passage  
Israel after Exodus
2. "Wise men" among Edomites - Soons of  
Book of Job, possibly written there

3. Belshazzar typical of Edom -- knew God, of-  
fered some worship, but rejected God's rule
4. A nation of predators, they knew God,  
in some fashion, but rejected his law, they  
chose, like Esau, to live by violence.

5. When Judah fell, gloated, rushed in to  
acquire all the booty they could.
6. Edomites of Today

7. Nations of today think thselves invincible  
but are full of today believe in God, reject  
his rule - say, Yes, I believe in God, but  
this business of forgiveness, loving your  
neighbor, all the bunk; I'm looking out for  
myself, I hold. In God, but that's not going  
to keep me from doing what I want to do

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HOW CAN A MAN LOVE GOD... I JOHN 4:120  
INT. GREAT COMMANDMENT -- LOVE GOD SUPREME  
LY, BUT HOW? -- JOHN'S QUESTION, PART LATER  
I NOW CAN WE LOVE GOD, UNLESS WE HAVE NOT SEE  
1. JESUS, WHO HATH SEEN GOD AT ANY TIME  
-- PAUL TIM. 6:16 REVELLS IN UNAPPROACHABLE  
LIGHT; WHOM NO MAN HAS SEEN OR CAN SEE YET  
1 PET 1:8 WHOM, HAVING NOT SEEN, YE LOVE  
2. I JOHN 2:15; HE LOVE NOT THE WORLD... LOVE  
OF THE FATHER NOT IN HIM  
3. YET THAT DOES NOT MEAN TO SHUT OUT HUMAN  
LOVE, FOR "... IF HE LOVE NOT HIS BROTHER..."  
II OUR LOVE FOR GOD GROWS OUT OF OUR EX-  
PERIENCE OF HIS LOVE FOR US, FROVENS, ET  
1. PSALM 116 -- "I LOVE THE LORD, BECAUSE  
2. SINCE THE PHARISEE -- LOVE THE PROOF OF  
FORGIVENESS  
3. I JOHN 4:10 HEREIN IS LOVE, NOT THAT  
WE LOVED GOD, BUT THAT HE LOVED US, AND SENT  
4. BROWNING, KARSHISH, THE ARAB PHYSICIAN  
"THOU MUST LOVE ME, WHO HAVE DIED FOR THE  
III LOVE TO GOD, AND ITS EFFECTS  
1. I COR. 8:12 IF ONE IMAGINES THAT HE  
KNOWS ANYTHING... BUT IF A MAN LOVE GOD,  
HE IS KNOWN BY HIM, LOVE TO GOD TAKES AWAY  
OUR CONCEIT, AND MAKES US CONSCIOUS OF OUR  
DEPENDENCE ON GOD.  
2. "WE KNOW THAT ALL TH... FOR GOOD TO THOSE  
WHO LOVE GOD" WHEN WE LOVE GOD, HIS PROVIDENCE  
IS ALWAYS RIGHT AND GOOD. *Heavenly joy...*  
3. I COR. 2:10 WE HATH NOT SEEN... GOD  
HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM". AM  
INFINITELY INCREASING EXPERIENCE -- NOT  
ONLY THE GLORIES OF HEAVEN, BUT EXPERIENCE  
OF GOD.

THE ARE SAVED BY HOPE -- ROM. 8:24  
(ASV) IN (THIS) HOPE  
INT. -- SOLDIER IN WORLD WAR I WHO HEARD  
THAT AMMUNITION WAS NEAR, AND BEG. TO HOPE  
I HOPE -- AN EXPECTATION OF GOOD  
1. FAITH IS OUR ATTITUDE TOWARD GOD, NOT  
TOWARD OURSELVES -- RESULT, NOT CAUSE  
2. ROM. 10:23 COMPLETION OF OUR HOPE  
3. I PET. 1:13 BORN AGAIN TO LIVING H.  
4. I PET. 3:15 PREPARED TO MAKE ANSWER  
WHEN CALLED TO ACCOUNT FOR H. IN YOU.  
I EXPECTATION OF FULFILLMENT OF PROMISES  
1. PAUL -- "FOR H. OF ISRAEL I AM JUDGES  
2. HER. 7:19 BRING IN OF A BETTER HOPE  
3. (SARAH) AG. HOPE BELIEVED IN HOPE...  
III THE HOPE OF ETERNAL LIFE  
1. TITUS 1:2, VIN HOPE OF ETERNAL LIFE,  
WHICH GOD, WHO CANNOT LIE, PROMISES...  
2. I PET. 1:3 (ABOVE) BASED ON RES. OF X  
3. (HEATHEN) HAVING NO HOPE, WITHOUT GOD  
4. GURRON NOT, AS THOSE... NO HOPE  
IV THE HOPE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS GAL. 5:5  
1. HOPE, NOT ONLY OF SURVIVAL, BUT OF  
BECOMING GODLIKE IN CHARACTER  
2. REJOICING IN HOPE OF GLORY OF GOD  
3. EPH. 4:4 CALLED IN ONE HOPE OF YR CALL  
4. I JOHN 3:3 EVERY MAN... PURIFIETH HIMSELF  
V PATIENCE OF HOPE I THESS. 1:3, Rom. 8:25  
1. ROM. 15:13 PATIENCE AND COMFORT OF SS H  
2. FAITH, HOPE, LOVE -- "MY HOPE? GOD,  
OURSELVES, OTHERS. I Thm. 1:3 (above)  
3. ROM. 15:13 "GOD OF ALL HOPE (I.E. GIVEN  
OF IT) FILL YOU WITH ALL PEACE AND JOY IN  
BELIEVING; SO THAT, BY POWER OF SPIRIT, YE  
MAY ABUNDANTLY..."







THE SHALL GIVE HIS ANGELS CHARGE, <sup>over</sup> THEN THEY SHALL BEAR THEE UP IN THEIR HANDS, LEST THOU DASH THY FOOT AGAINST A STONE."

— PSALM 91:11

INT. -- PICTURE OF CHILDREN PLAYING ON EDGE OF PRECIPICE, ANGEL WATCHING  
I WE LIVE IN THE MIDST OF DANGER.

1. SNAKE I ALMOST STEPPED ON -- HOW MANY OTHERS THAT I DIDN'T SEE?
2. NEAR MISSES IN TRAFFIC -- HOW MANY OTHER IF WE HAD STARTED ONE MINUTE EARLIER, LATER
3. CRENTES IN GARAGHUNS DIDN'T HAVE BUSON

-- HOW MANY DEADLY GERMS IN EVERY BREATH?

1. IF GOD PROTECTS, WE CAN DO ANYTHING?
1. JUMP OFF TEMPLE, AFTER ALL..... SNAKES
2. GO ON, TAKE CHANCES, GOD WILL PROTECT
3. THOU SHALT NOT MAKE TRIAL OF THE LORD
1. <sup>are people always protected?</sup> ~~are people always protected?~~
1. ACCIDENTS HAPPEN, TO GOOD AND BAD ALIKE
2. <sup>supremacy</sup> ~~supremacy~~ DEATH, IN PEACE OR WAR
3. <sup>safety measures</sup> ~~safety measures~~ <sup>measures</sup> ~~measures~~

1. WHAT IS TO BE..... IF YOU'RE CAREFUL ....
2. MEDICINES, HEALTH PRECAUTIONS
3. PROVIDENCE AND POWDER DRY

1. GOD TAKES CARE OF FOOLS AND DRUNKS
  2. OUR OWN FRANTIC EFFORTS TO PROTECT OURSELVES OFTEN INCREASE OUR DANGER
  3. PLAYING IT SAFE, WE'RE IN GREATER DANGER
  4. IT IS VAIN TO RISE UP EARLY..... SLEEP
- CON. -- TRUST GOD, BE CAREFUL, FORGET DANGER

# SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER

the Lord used to speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend."

-- Ex. 33:11a

INT. -- Prayer goes a long way back -- over pagan peoples, with meager understanding of God, prayed.

I Face to Face -- Did He really?

1. Just an exaggeration, gilded by time?
2. Perhaps in part, but without doubt prayer meant much more to Moses, Paul, et al., than it does to us, <sup>Not a contact with</sup> ~~easy way~~ <sup>easy way</sup>
3. Maybe Moses face to face -- to us, like II. Long Distance Telephone
1. You talk, and listen, maybe you can't hear, maybe not be heard.
2. Does you hear, don't like what you hear
3. Does the beloved voice comes air & stir
4. Does we can't think of much we wanted to say, but just to make contact is precious (even when we are with the loved one, after not much to say)
5. Does like two-way radio -- over --

Does no answer -- did our sending get there? Is stay wrong with receiving set? We try over and over, same result. Or like SOB.

sent out by sinking ship -- Is rescue on way and will it get there in time?

III Sweet Hour of Prayer -- Is It Sweet?

1. Is there a telephone bill? Not in money of course (..... in some a dollar in 40¢)
2. Was prayer easy for Moses? For Jesus? Does it not always cost, in time, energy, spiritual struggle? <sup>help prayer</sup> ~~help prayer~~ <sup>help prayer</sup> ~~help prayer~~
3. Those whose anxious spirits burn, with strong desire for thy return... left out

WATCH AND PRAY THAT YOU MAY NOT ENTER INTO TEMPTATION; THE SPIRIT IS WILLING, BUT THE FLESH IS WEAK."

-- MATT. 26:41

INT. -- HOLY WEEK -- JAMES' DEF. OF RELIGION  
I WE CAN SERVE GOD BY OUR GROWTH IN GRACE

1. QUESTION AT AUSTIN, "ALL THIS COUNSELING DIRECTED AT SELF REALIZATION; SELF DEVELOPMENT OF INDIVIDUAL -- SHOULD NOT EMPHASIS BE RATHER ON SERVING GOD?"
2. MAN'S CHIEF END TO GLORIFY GOD, AND ENJOY HIM FOREVER -- ISN'T OUR GROWTH IN GRACE THE CHIEF WAY WE GLORIFY AND ENJOY GOD?

3. CHIEF SERVICE TO GOD IS FOR US TO BE HIS PEOPLE -- NOT IN AN IVORY TOWER, BUT IN EVERY RELATIONSHIP OF LIFE -- <sup>James' warning</sup> ~~James' warning~~
4. "CHRISTIAN ACTION" MUCH EMPHASIZED -- IS UP AND RIGHT THE WRONGS OF SOCIETY -- BUT

XIAN ACTION MUST BE OUTGROWTH OF XIAN LIFE, ELSE HERE "HOGGODNESS" <sup>Religion is not easy</sup> ~~Religion is not easy~~

1. TEMPTATION AND FALL OF APOSTLES.

1. SELF CONFIDENCE OF PREPARATION -- HALL THE REST MAY FALL AWAY, NOT I!!
2. SELF CONFIDENCE OF NEGLIGENCE -- WHY ALL THE FUSS? I'M OK, I DON'T NEED TO BE CONCERN

"XIAN, DON'T THOU HEAR..... ALWAYS.... AND PR? EXCUSE, WARNING. PAUL, LET HIM..... LEST HE FALL

1. HOLY WEEK -- AN OPPORTUNITY FOR VIGILANCE
1. NOT "HOLY" IN SENSE OF SPCL VALUE OF SERV
2. NOT SUPERSTITIOUS FEAR, BUT GOD SAVE US FROM INDIFFERENCE!

3. NOT ONLY HOLY WEEK -- EX. REVIVAL, COMMON ALL OTHER OPPORTUNITIES OF REMEMBRANCE

<sup>Feasting, gratitude, etc. - too many</sup> ~~Feasting, gratitude, etc. - too many~~  
<sup>and trying to see how little they need</sup> ~~and trying to see how little they need~~

DESCENDED FROM DAVID ACCORDING TO THE  
FLESH, AND DESIGNATED THE SON OF GOD IN  
POWER.....RESURRECTION FROM THE DEAD.

-- ROM. 1:3-4

INT. - THE ONLY REDEEMER OF GOD'S ELECT  
1. DESIGNATED FROM DAVID ACC. TO THE FLESH

1. ALL SORTS OF PEOPLE AMONG OUR ANCESTORS  
- ROM. THE COM. - EVERY KING.....SLAVE

2. BUT THE FAMILY OF DAVID - PATRICK OF  
DAVID'S GENIUS AND SANCTITY - ALSO PATRICK

OF -- REMOVED, UZZIAN, HENRIKIAN, JOSIAN,  
MANASSEH; ~~SEBASTIAN~~ BUT ZERUBABEL TOO

-- JUDAH'S ADULTERY WITH TAMAR, DAVID AND  
BATHSHEBA, AHALIAH, EVEN JEREBEL

3. RUTH, TOO, THE ALIEN  
IF CHRIST WAS TRULY MAN

1. WITH SUCH AN ANCESTRY, HE TRULY INHERIT  
OUR HUMAN NATURE, CRUELTY, SELFISHNESS

2. HE ALSO SHARED OUR HARDSHIPS, POVERTY,  
HAND WORK, REJECTION, SCROW, PAIN

3. TEMPTED IN ALL POINTS.....WHO SO TEMPTED  
AS HER PILOT HAS NO TEMPTATIONS; BRUTISH

MAN VIOLES BLINDLY, UNTHINKINGLY TO IMPULSE  
1. DESIGNATED THE SON OF GOD IN POWER

1. NOW ALL KINGS' SONS ARE KINGS - WE ARE  
ALL, IN ONE SENSE, SONS OF GOD.

2. HE WAS SUPREMACY SO - THE SON OF GOD

3. IN HIS DEATH HE BECAME SUPREMACY MAN -  
IN HIS RESURRECTION, SUPREMACY SON OF GOD

"Man can endure the day of his dying,"  
-Mal. 2:2

Int. - I Come, Emmanuel (Come, save us  
out of our trouble, leave us in our sins)

1. The Messenger of the Covenant  
1. Malachi "My Messenger"

2. John the Baptist applied to himself  
3. "The Covenant", "which ye love" - we tal,

in the covenant, talk about it, even name  
churches and curricula for it.

4. But can we face what it means to be God's  
covenant people?

5. Just if us have a horror of being differ-  
ent - but that is of the essence of the Gov.

1. Who can endure the day of his coming?  
1. Acts 5:18 - "We...desire, 'Day of Lord',  
darkness....lion....bear....sargent..."

2. Malachi - "yes, he is coming (how nice!)  
and he will be like fire, like soap, burn,

scour, clean up his people: ~~God to earth~~  
3. His coming means that he does something

to us. Can we face it? Can we endure it?  
1. Can We Endure Christmas?

1. How cruel of people then, not to make  
room for a sweet little baby!

2. Herod must have sensed something here.  
The Pharisees and Sadducees, who had signed a

cut a way to satisfy God's demands by going  
to church, and quoting the Bible, and making

offerings, while still as corrupt, and cruel,  
and selfish and unmoved about others as

ever - if they had guessed what that baby was  
going to grow up to be, killed him at once!

3. How pleasant it was, to gift-wrap X so  
that he makes no demands, needs nothing

4. But can we face what he really means, and  
still say, "Come to my heart, Lord Jesus,"

"I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVETH"  
-Job 19:25

INT. - GREAT TEXT FROM JOB, OFTEN SONG  
1. JOB, BOOK OF THE MONTH

1. AUTHOR UNKNOWN, SETTING UNCERTAIN, NO MENTION  
OF JERUSALEM, TEMPLE, PRIESTS OR PROPHETS

2. THEOLOGY IN DRAMA FORM

3. THEME: CAN WE BELIEVE GOD IS ON OUR SIDE,  
EVEN WHEN THINGS GO WRONG, WHEN WE SUFFER?

4. JOB'S "COMFORTERS" GIVE SAME OLD WORN OUT  
ARGUMENTS:

A. OF COURSE GOD GIVES PROSPERITY, SUCCESS TO  
THE GOOD -- EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT

B. IF THINGS GO WRONG, IT IS PROOF OF SOME SECRET  
SIN, WHICH GOD IS PUNISHING - EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT

5. JOB - NO SUCH SECRET SIN - SIN, YES; BUT NOT  
LIKE YOU SAY

6. JOB - "NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, I KNOW GOD IS  
FOR ME; AND SOME DAY IT WILL BE REVEALED".

1. REDEEMER <sup>6:25</sup>

1. ROOT MEANING, ONE WHO DOES A KINSMAN'S PART  
2. DERIVED MEANING, GOD, WHO SAVES HIS PEOPLE:

FROM CAPTIVITY, FROM ANY AND ALL EVIL

3. EVEN FROM DEATH - NO DOCTRINE OF IMMORTALITY  
IN OT - CF CH. 15, ACCEPTED VIEW OF THAT TIME;

BUT JOB SAYS, "IN SPITE OF ALL, I KNOW HE IS GOD  
I KNOW ALL THINGS ARE SUBJECT TO HIM. I KNOW HE

WILL VINDICATE ME!"

4. THIS IS REAL FAITH  
1. IN CHRIST WE SEE IT HAPPEN

1. IN INCARNATION WE SEE HIM "STAND ON EARTH"  
2. IN HIS LIFE ON EARTH WE SEE HIM SHARE OUR LIFE

3. ON THE CROSS WE SEE HIM SHARE OUR DEATH  
4. AND AT EASTER WE SEE HIM ALIVE, THE ASSURANCE  
THAT JOB'S FAITH WAS NOT IN VAIN, AND THAT OUR

HOPE IS SECURE



BAPTISM -- WATER, SPIRIT, FIRE

1. BAPTIZE YOU WITH WATER; BUT.....WE WILL BAPTIZE YOU WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND FIRE."

- Matt. 3:11

UNLESS BORN OF WATER AND THE SPIRIT JO.3:5  
"J. WATER, BUT YOU...BAP. ....SPIRIT, FIRE"ACTS 1:5  
".....TONGUES AS OF FIRE.....ON EACH" -ACTS 2:3  
".....BAPTISM SAVES US, NOT REMOVAL OF DIRT, BUT ANSWER OF GOOD CONSCIENCE.....RES. OF XNI PET INT. - PENTECOST - BAPTISM 3:21

1 ORIGIN AND MODE OF BAPTISM Also  
(NO INF BAPTISM NOT TODAY)

1. NO SPECIFIC DIRECTIONS IN SS - INFERENCE IF CERTAIN MODE ESSENTIAL, SORELY SPECIFY
2. IN OT WORSHIP MANY CEREMONIAL CLEANSINGS (CALLED BAPTISMS IN HEB. 9:10) MOSTLY BY SPR
3. IN NT, MANY PASSAGES SUGGEST IMMERSION, ESP WORD ITSELF; OTHERS SEEM TO PRECLUDE IT
4. FROM EARLY DAYS IN CHURCH, SPRINKLING BECAME GENERAL PRACTICE, THE IMMERSION PERSISTED IN SOME AREAS, ESP. EASTERN CHURCH
5. AT REFORMATION, MOST REFORMERS, READY TO BREAK WITH ANY CUSTOM, RETAINED SPRINKLING

11 MEANING OF BAPTISM

1. BAPTISM WITH THE SPIRIT IS OUR NEW BIRTH OUR CLEANSING, OUR INGRAPTING INTO X
2. B. WITH WATER IS THE SYMBOL OF IT, AND OUR ENTRANCE INTO VISIBLE CHURCH
3. AS BIRTH OCCURS BUT ONCE, SO BAPTISM - IN CONTRAST W/ COMMUNION

4. CONF. OF FAITH, XXX, 5 - SALVATION IS GOD'S GIFT; NOT REWARD OF FAITH AND OBEENCE BUT HOW CAN WE BE SAVED WITHOUT FAITH AND OBT

5. PETER - B. SAVES US; NOT REMOVAL OF DIRT BUT ANSWER OF GOOD CONSC. YOUR RES. OF X

111 WATER, SPIRIT, FIRE water, spirit, fire

1. ALL CHURCH HAS IS WATER, COMMONEST OF ELEMENTS; NOT "HOLY" WATER. (OF R. JORDAN)

2. SPIRIT IS GOD'S GIFT - IS GOD HIMSELF IN INDIVIDUAL; IN CHURCH

3. PENTECOST; TONGUES LIKE FIRE - SPIRIT IN OUR HEARTS SETS US ON FIRE FOR GOD

WHEN YOU WILL - GERY

BEYOND THE RIVER.....AMORITES WHERE YOU STAVE THE LORD."

--JOSHUA 24:12

INT. - JOSHUA THE MAN - YOUNG MAN.....DEF NOT.....JANO SPIES, COURAGE, RESOURCEFULNESS, 2. NOT OF LEVI, EPRAIM.....JESUS SAME NAME

1 JOSHUA, BORN OF THE MONTH

1. WRITTEN ABOUT J., NOT BY HIM

2. SOME ANCIENT MATERIAL, SOME IDEALIZED HISTORY, REVISED VARIOUS TIMES (LIKE WEBSTER

- CH. 24 AN APOLOGUE

3. COMPLETED THE HEXATEUCH - HEB OT PUT IT WITH PROPHETS

11 THE CHALLENGE OF JOSHUA

1. CONQUEST INCOMPLETE, BUT WAR OF CONQUEST FINISHED, TERMS MADE, LAND DIVIDED
2. PEOPLE REMINDED THAT IT WAS THE LORD THAT HAD MADE IT POSSIBLE
3. NOW, ARE YOU COMMITTED TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE OR IF NOT, THEN WHOM WILL YOU SERVE?

4. GODS BEYOND RIVER - ABRAHAM, VISION OF ONE AND ONLY, LEFT THEM FOR UNKNOWN DESTINY

5. GODS OF AMORITES? THEY WERE ALL AROUND; PEOPLE SAID, OK, IF YOU'RE WILLING TO RISK HAVING SPRING DRY UP, CATTLE DIE, CROPS FAIL

6. READ IT, SOUNDS EASY. NOT EASY; BUT J. SAID, "AS FOR ME AND MY FAMILY....."

7. WHEN MOSES TRIED TO TELL THEM OF GOD, "DON'T LIKE IT, NEW, STRANG WHEN HE GAVE LAWS, FORM OF WORSHIP.....LATER WHEN PROPHETS PREACHED OF JUSTICE.....YOU MAY NOT UNDERSTAND, MAY NOT LIKE CHANGE, BUT.....

111 CHOOSE THIS DAY

1. "GOD, WHO IN MANY AND VARIOUS WAYS.....NOW IS A SCH....."

2. "1 CHOOSE JESUS" "DO YOU ACCEPT.....Oh, SURE - BUT DO WE, REALLY?"

3. HAVE WE CONSIDERED HIS LIFE, TEACHINGS HIS DEMANDS, "TAKE UP CROSS AND FOLLOWING

4. "LEAD, TO WHOM SHALL WE GO? IF JESUS IS TOO MUCH FOR YOU, KNOW ANYONE ELSE TO GO

CHRISTIANS IN THE WORLD

"I wrote you not to associate with immoral men, not meaning...when you must go out of the world."

-1 Cor. 5:9-10  
1st. - Paul meant, withdraw from those claiming to be Xian who are immoral. He faced the fact that we must live in world

I We can't live in a box  
1. Lancelot (in GALAT 2) to mark, I don't think much of a rei...appt environment.."

2. We wish there were no bars, no dirty literature, no brothers, etc. Remove these bad th. from community if possible!

3. But 1st cent. Xians lived in conditions much worse, everything wide open.

11 Do Not Conform to this World  
1. We have to live in the world, but we don't have to do as other people do

2. Standard of world: SELF, sense first! pleasure, profit, advancement, recognition

3. May be exst. in crime, greed, tricks, ruthless ambition, gross intemp., sexual promiscuity

4. Other people, just as selfish, may not commit crime for fear of punishment, may be sober for sake of health, pure for fear of VD or even alimony

5. Young people especially, hate to be different yet grr about drinking

111 Lights in the World - Paul, 8:12  
1. Regardless of what others do, those who bel. to X should live as being His

2. Not bec. church has rules, don't do this, that, but my holy temple of God

3. We won't have to preach, doc. X -

4. We won't have to preach, doc. X -

5. We won't have to preach, doc. X -

"FEAR NOT, O LITTLE FLOCK; FOR IT IS YOUR  
FATHER'S GOOD PLEASURE TO GIVE YOU THE  
KINGDOM."  
--LUKE 12:32

INT. - SMALL NUMBERS - AND DISMAYING  
STATISTICS OVER WHOLE CHURCH  
WE DON'T HAVE TO BE BIG

1. [PRESIDENTIAL SELECTION] RICHES, MOST  
POWERFUL NATION.....JUST ALWAYS BE SMALL -- IS  
IT IMPORTANT TO BE BIG. IS - BUT, "GOD DID  
NOT CHOSE YOU BIG, GREATEST.....BEC. HE LOVED"  
2. PAUL TO CORINTHIANS, "NOT MANY WISE MEN  
AMONG THE FLESH, MIGHTY, WISDOM, CALLED; GOD  
CHOSE THE WEAK THINGS....." *weak & poor Greek*  
3. AND JESUS, WHEN MANY WERE LEAVING, "WILL  
YOU GO TO?" AND "FEAR NOT, O LITTLE FLOCK"  
4. FEW - "TWELVE VALENT SAINTS....." 120 AT  
PENTECOST, BUT "FEAR NOT.....KINGDOM"

1. PUT FIRST IN OUR LIVES OBEDIENCE, FAITH -  
FULNESS -- "TALK THESE THINGS.....AIDED"  
2. "AND WHO USED HIS PASTOR - PROMISED PROSPERITY IF HE OBTAINED --"  
3. YES. SURE - "THIS COURSE IS RIGHT, LET'S  
STICK TO IT" - "HE IS SUPERFICIAL, HE WILL DO  
WHAT HE HAS PROMISED"

4. WE CAN'T MANIPULATE GOD, USE HIM FOR OUR  
ENDS. IF WE DO HIS WILL WE MAY BE GREAT,  
SUCCESSFUL, PROSPEROUS, BUT NO GUARANTEE  
THAT WE WILL NOT SUFFER

5. BUT TO BE HIS PEOPLE IS WORTH WHILE;  
EVEN IF WE LOSE ALL THINGS, EVEN LIFE  
1. HE WANTS TO GIVE US THE KINGDOM  
1. TO MAKE US LIKE HIMSELF, HOLY - WELL, IF  
GOD WANTS THAT, WHY DOESN'T HE DO IT?  
2. IF HE FORCED IT ON US, IT WOULDN'T BE  
THE KINGDOM - WE MUST SEEK, RESPOND IN LOVE  
AND COMMIT OURSELVES TO HIM

1. BUT DON'T BE AFRAID TO BE HIM, OR  
MANIPULATE, EVEN ALONE (NOT REALLY ALONE)  
1. WE WANT TO GIVE IF TO US

"THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE COVENANT...."  
--MATT. 26:28

INT. - "GOD A COVENANT - BLOOD  
WITHOUT THE SHEDDING OF BLOOD NO REMISSIO  
1. VERY EMPHASIS ON BLOOD?

2. "THE BLOOD IS THE LIFE" - WE KNOW THAT,  
AFFIRMATIVELY AS WELL AS NEGATIVELY  
3. TO HEBREWS, BLOOD TABOO, SEMI-SACRED  
4. SPRINKLING OF BLOOD IN SACRIFICES, WE  
MIGHT FIND REVOLTING - TO THEM IT WAS SOLEMN  
REMINDED THEM OF SOLEMNITY OF WORSHIP  
1. ALL OUR WORSHIP SHOULD HAVE SHOULD HAVE  
A SENSE OF AWE

1. THEN IN SS AND EXPERIENCE  
EVEN PAGAN TIMES - FRAGRANT, ATTRA. AEROSOL  
TALLS OF EARTH, SEA, MOUNTAIN, SHAKING  
"BENEATH THE DREAD EYE OF THEIR MASTER"  
GEN. 15:12 "LO, A DREAM AND GREAT DARKNESS  
FELL ON ABRAHAM"

1. THEN 26:17 "HOW DREADFUL IS THIS PLACE!"  
ISAIAH, "WIDE IS MINE EYES HAVE SEEN..."  
PETER, "DEPART FROM ME.....DREADFUL SPH...."  
SALAMANDER TO TAMELE RIGHT HARD WHEN  
THE DEADLY FLESH BEGAN TO BEHOLD THE SPIR.  
THINGS"

2. GOD IS NOT ONE TO BE AFRAID OF - YES.  
12:16FF - BUT Y. 20 CONSUMING FIRE  
3. JOYFUL WORSHIP? SURE, BUT ALWAYS REMEM-  
BERING THE HOLY GOD, IDEALS UNATTAINED,  
GRACE UNDESERVED

1. BLOOD OF THE COVENANT  
1. IT WASN'T REAL BLOOD - NOT YET SHED  
2. BUT HIS BLOOD REALLY WAS SHED, TO ESTAB  
THE NEW COVENANT

3. SACK. REMINDS US, GRACE NOT CHEAP, EASY  
DO THIS IN REPENTANCE

"I AM DOES NOT LIVE BY BREAD ALONE, BUT, YES,  
BREAD."  
--MATT. 26:28

INT. - LABOR DAY - HOLIDAY, BIG TO CELEBRATE  
1. 2000th ANNIVERSARY OF THE LIGHT OF LATER

1. Healthy thing to work and produce thing -  
in farm, in mine, factory, in shipping boat -  
or to heavy human needs in transportation,  
instruction, selling goods or providing goods  
2. Healthy thing to work and provide food  
(you eat things) for our needs - even food -  
lighters, building two jobs at once  
3. Has danger of later descending - YES, but  
has. of more production, but simply bec. in  
position to someone -- well, who doesn't work  
and?

4. As if THINGS (food, clothes....) become  
purpose of existence, what sort of life is it  
in dangers of life on totalitarianly - YES

1. That of civilizations, death and fall  
2. In danger of 1930s, no pity  
3. In danger of 1930s, no pity for  
others

4. Risk of progress, "warfare", suffering, with  
without war, without food - well, needs  
1. In 1930s and 1940s we had to be had healthy  
1. We had to argue death, but, in fact, have  
not really argued, to death, suffering etc.  
each other as being in trouble

2. In suffering, suffering is the thing (1)  
for work. Can can (1) lose his body, even  
but take his body? "1", "1", "1" too busy? "1" will  
1. That that process... "1" only thing  
also may really be unified state, which is the  
commitment to life

1. "1" seems moved in "1" - YES - YES - YES  
1. "1" seems - "1" seems to be necessary  
1. "1" seems to be - YES - YES - YES



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INT. - USE OF EXPRESSION IN AIR TRAVEL -  
 SCENE IN "THE SIGN AND THE LIGHTS" IN CHAPTER  
 A TYPE-OR PASSED THRO THE PLANE IN A TYPE-OR  
 SOMETHING ABOUT NAVIGATOR CAME IN AND SAID,  
 WE'VE JUST PASSED THE POINT OF NO RETURN.

THE DECISION TO SERVE GOD - "WHETHER THOU  
SUFFERST.... THY GOD MY GOD" - WITH 1:15-16

NOT YET A FULL ACCEPTANCE OF GOD, BUT A  
DESIGN TO REACH HIM

MADE IN THIS CASE; AND AFTER, ON BASIS OF ANSWERS  
FROM OTHER PERSONS' KNOWLEDGE AND FAITHFULNESS,  
EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, ASSURANCE, ALL LIE  
AHEAD - ALSO DIFFICULTIES AND DISCOURAGEMENT  
BUT THIS STEP PASSES POINT OF NO RETURN

THE DECISION FOR LYL E BRING OUT VESTMENTS  
OR WEARERS OF CASH - 11 KINGS 10200

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UNTIL A TIME WHEN CIRCUMST. FORCE US DECID  
AFTER THAT NO HOPE? O CERTAINLY MORE - WE

THE COMMITTEE TO EVIL - PASSED PT. OF NO. 11  
THE FURTHER COMMITMENT - "TO JACK SHALL"

607...LIFEH - JOHN 6:07-68  
AS WE GROW IN GRACE WE DISCOVER NEW MEANING

WAGE TO DISCIPLINERY - SUCH AS:  
BUSINESS AND REL+ NOT SEPARATE COMPARTMENT

STEWARTSHIP OF TIME, MONEY, LIFE,  
MEANING OF MAN LOVE; EVERYONE WISES,

NOB, FORGIVENESS, FRIENDS  
WHEN WE STARTED, WE BLANKLY KNOW XIANITY

REGANT ALL THAT - "WILL YE ALSO GO AWAY?"  
TO SHOW SHALL WE GO? I - HE IS GOD, THERE

IS NO PLACE WE CAN GO. FAST PT 'OF NO RET.  
THE CALL TO SPECIAL SERVICE - "GO BACK

THE COAST GUARD FOR WHAT HAVE I DONE WATCO TUESDAY 11  
 4-1 KINGS 10:20

ELIJAH - ANJINT ELISHA - MANTLE  
HOW DOES ONE FEEL CALL TO SPECIAL SERVICE

The Lord's Prayer

I. Teaching to pray - Use of

1. When we pray, say... after this...

Cap. The whole wood is covered  
but the special will be dried.

3. Value of  $\alpha$  is not too

bec. there is becoming part of

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Policy: tolerance & confidence, as well as...

"I'M NOTHING BUT ANXIOUS; BUT IN EVERYTH-  
..... THANKSGIVING..... REQUESTS...TC (HODS

READ: PSALM 37:9; Matt. 6:25-36  
--PWL. 4:6

Don't worry

I FRET NOT -- DON'T GET NOT  
... DON'T CARRY TOMORROW'S LOAD TODAY--

"BUILD A LITTLE FENCE OF TRUST  
PLAN AHEAD, BUT ACTION IS FOR TODAY

AROUND TODAY:  
FILL THE SPACE WITH LIVING WORK

AND THEREIN STAY;  
LOOK NOT THROUGH THE SNEETING HAPS

UPON TOMORROW  
GOD WILL HELP THEM REAP WHAT SOWS

THINK OF JOY OR SORROW." - *Christy* <sup>you can find</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>happy</sup> <sup>thoughts</sup>

**DON'T TRY TO CARRY GOD'S LOAD**

WE DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THEM. WE DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THEM. WE DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THEM.

IT ALL LEAVE UP TO THE L. OF H.

111 NOT UNCONCERN - NOT LAZINESS.  
DO YOUR BEST. AND LEAVE THE BEST.

DR. DEEMS, PASTOR OF CH. OF STRANGER

IN TIME AND TIDE,  
AND GOD IS WITH US.

THEY DO NOT HURRY.  
(BEST)  
THAT MAN IS QUEST WHO DOES HIS

THEN LEAVE THE REST

IV ANXIOUS ABOUT NOTHING! THANKFUL FOR  
ANYTHING. BRAVEHEIM, 1970.

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"THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD BEGINS WITH THE FULFILLMENT OF THIS PROPHECY OF ISAIAH....." --MARK 1:1 (PHILLIPS)

INT. - NEW TRANSLATION GIVES FRESH VIEW

1. THE GOSPEL BEGAN WITH JOHN

1. EVERY GOSPEL WRITER BEGINS THUS - ACTS 1:22, 10:37, (PETER TO CORNELIUS)

2. GOSPELS WRITTEN 30, 50 YRS OR MORE AFTER RESURRECTION, YET WITH ALL THAT HAD HAPPENED JOHN WAS NOT FORGOTTEN, SEC. IT BEGAN W/HIM

3. IT WAS A MOVEMENT, LIKE REFORMATION, OR MISSIONARY MOVEMENT OF 19TH CENTURY. SOME, AT LEAST, OF APOSTLES ALREADY CAUGHT UP IN IT BEFORE THEY MET JESUS - *Paul, Peter, & others*

4. OUT OF IT GREW XIAN GOSPEL - JESUS CERTAINLY WAS PRECIPITATED INTO HIS MINISTRY (AFTER JOHN WAS IMPRISONED) BY THIS, MAY HAVE DEPENDED ON IT MORE THAN WE KNOW

1. A PROPHET AND MORE THAN A PROPHET *David* IS A PREDICTION OF MOSES, "GOD WILL RAISE UP A PROPHET LIKE ME" - PPL NOT SURE WHETHER "THAT PROPHET" WAS MESSIAH OR NOT - MAL. 4:5, "ELIJAH THE PROPHET"

2. JOHN, SET APART AS NAZIITE, BEGAN PREACHING IN WILDERNESS, BOLD, NOT CARING WHETHER PEOPLE PLEASED, CALLING TO REPENTING AND NEW LIFE - ASCETIC HELP, DID NOT PREACH ASCETICISM, BUT INSISTED ON REAL REPENTANCE NOT JUST FORM - LOTS SKEPTICAL, COMMON PPL BELIEVED

3. WERE YOU MESSIAH? "NOW - ELIJAH?" "NO!" "THAT PROPHET?" "NO!" "WHO ARE YOU?" "VOICE CRYING, MAKE A STRAIGHT WAY FOR GOD!" 4. BUT JESUS SAID, HE WAS "ELIJAH", HE WAS A PROPHET AND MORE - NONE GREATER; HE HAD GOD'S INSTRUMENT FOR BEGINNING

1.1 BEGINS WITH "ISAIAH (AND MALACHI)" 1. EVERY PROPHET ON MOUNT, 4:2 - "WHEN WILL THIS COME TO PASS?" "WHEN WE MAKE IT ...."

2. JOHN MUST HAVE BEEN GREATLY IMPRESSED WITH ISAIAH, MALACHI - MUST HAVE FELT THAT GOD WAS SAYING, "YOU BE THE VOICE CRYING"

*7. How does anyone /... relate to...*

"I WILL RESTORE THE FORTUNES OF THE LAND."

-JER. 30:11

INT. - RURAL LIFE (ECOLOGY) SUNDAY THING MOST ACQUIRED IN ISRAELIS, CHINESE, CARE FOR THE LAND

1. GOD HAS ALWAYS CARED ABOUT THE LAND, INCLUDING THE PEOPLE

1. JER.'S TIME, DESTRUCTION FACED NATION DUE TO PERSONAL AND NATIONAL SIN, JER. HELP IN PRISON FOR PROTESTING POLICY

2. NO HOPE AT ALL BUT IN GOD

3. BUT GOD STILL CARED, "I WILL RESTORE" - DID RESTORE IN WAYS THEY COULD NEVER GUESS

1.1 WE NEED RESTORATION NOW

1. THE LAND - STRIP MINING AND EROSION, POLLUTION AND GARBAGE

2. TV EXPLODING BOMBS IN VIETNAM - FUTILE AT BEST, HOW MUCH DAMAGE? HOW MUCH WASTE OF VITALLY IMPORTANT ENERGY?

3. FRANTIC EXPLOITATION OF WHAT IS LEFT OF RESOURCES, IN SENSELESS PURSUIT OF LUXURY

4. EROSION OF CONCEPTS OF LAW, JUSTICE, AGENCY - STANDING QUESTION FOR AGNEW?

5. "I WILL RESTORE PROSPERITY" - WHAT DO WE WANT GOD TO DO FOR US? MORE MONEY? ALREADY SO MUCH NOBODY KNOWS WHAT TO DO WITH

"TURN BACK, O MAN, FOREVER!"

1.1 I WILL RESTORE.....COVENANT....DAY, NIGHT"

1. NOT; "IF YOU REPENT, DO THIS OR THAT" GOD'S PURPOSE WAS, IS, RESTORATION

2. AND YET REPENTANCE IS NECESSARY;

3. GOD WILL DO IT, BUT NOT WITHOUT EFFORT OF PEOPLE. IF THERE IS TO BE BETTER WORLD, WE MUST BUILD IT!

4. NOT JUST BY GETTING TOUGH ON CRIMINALS (THE FIRMS, EQUAL, UNBUYABLE JUSTICE WILL GO A LONG WAY TOWARD IT) BUT BY LAYING FOUND. OF JUST SOCIETY BY STANDING FOR HONOR, TRUTH, KINDNESS, DECENTY OURSELVES

5. AND SEEKING FOR GOD WITH WHOLE HEART

"AND HE WROTE ON THE TABLES THE WORDS OF THE COVENANT, THE TEN COMMANDMENTS."

-EX. 34:28

INT. - REG. TEN WORDS

1. EXODUS, BOOK OF THE MONTH

1. TITLE GREEK, HEBREW, *these the names*

2. AUTHOR, TRADITIONALLY MOSES - MUCH OR BOOK LATER THAN MOSES

3. CONTENT - THE COVENANT, EXPRESSION OF GOD'S CONCERN FOR HIS PEOPLE

A. GOD KNEW THEY WERE HIS PEOPLE, EVEN THO THEY DIDN'T KNOW IT THEMSELVES

B. GOD CARED ABOUT THEIR PHYSICAL WELL BEING THEY WERE ENSLAVED, SUFFERING, IGNORANT, LANDLESS - GOD CARED ABOUT THAT, NOT JUST ABOUT "SALVATION"

C. PROVIDENTIAL PREPARATION OF MOSES, CALL AND COMMISSION

D. DELIVERANCE FROM EGYPT, PROMISED LAND

E. PROVIDING FOR SYSTEMATIC WORSHIP

F. GIVING THE LAW

1.1 THE LAW - EXPRESSION OF GOD'S LOVE

1. BECAUSE GOD LOVES HIS PEOPLE, HE CARES HOW THEY LIVE

2. THE TEN COMMANDMENTS - BASIC LAW

A. REVERENCE FOR GOD 1-3

B. WORSHIP 4

C. RESPECT FOR PEOPLE, 5-8

LIFE, FAMILY, PROPERTY RIGHTS

D. INTEGRITY OF LIFE, 9-10

3. CEREMONIAL LAW GREW OUT OF THIS, PART OF 1.11 WHAT DO THEY MEAN FOR US TODAY?

1. WE ARE NOT SAVED BY KEEPING THEM, NOR GAINED FOR BREAKING THEM

2. THEY ARE PRINCIPLES, NOT RULES

3. JESUS, ".....OLD TIME, BUT I SAY...."

4. EXPANDED STILL MORE IN EPISTLES

5. TAKE ON NEW MEANING THRO XIAN EXPERIENCE

6. BUT EXODUS STILL SAYS, "GOD IS OUR SAVIOR, HE CARES HOW WE LIVE."





...WAS MADE FOR MAN.

...MAY 2:07

INT. - LADY EMILY LIVINGSTON - STEREO  
GIRL - 4:07E

1. THE CHRISTIAN LADY - S. cat. v. m. sub.

2. MR. CHURCH - "WOMAN" ... THE DAY ABOVE  
ANOTHER... EVERY DAY ALIVE

3. THE LORD'S DAY

4. NOT UNDER THE LAW - "GODDY MAY TELL  
US WHAT WE LOST OF OR NOT TO ON LADY

5. ACT 1/10 OF MONEY AND 1/7 OF TIME,  
NOT ALL BELONG TO GOD. Heirs of Gov. of Bank

6. THE SAVATE WAS MADE FOR MAN

7. WE ARE YET SLAVES TO A CUSTOM, BUT  
RECIPIENTS OF A DELIVER

8. NOT TO USE SELFISHLY, OR CARELESSLY,  
BUT ACCORDING TO ITS PURPOSE

9. IS LAW MADE FOR MAN, BUT MUST BE  
USED ACCORDING TO ITS PURPOSE

10. "I HAD MEDICINE, ELECTRICITY, AIR,  
WATER, ETC. Lawrence this benefit

11. DELIVER YOURSELF - THE LORD

12. "I HAD OF COURAGE - TO GET ME AWAY  
FROM, OURSELVES, AND TO GO TO GOD

13. "I HAD OF COURAGE - TO GO TO GOD  
TO GO TO GOD - TO GO TO GOD - TO GO TO GOD

14. "I HAD OF COURAGE - TO GO TO GOD  
TO GO TO GOD - TO GO TO GOD - TO GO TO GOD

15. "I HAD OF COURAGE - TO GO TO GOD  
TO GO TO GOD - TO GO TO GOD - TO GO TO GOD

16. "I HAD OF COURAGE - TO GO TO GOD  
TO GO TO GOD - TO GO TO GOD - TO GO TO GOD

17. "I HAD OF COURAGE - TO GO TO GOD  
TO GO TO GOD - TO GO TO GOD - TO GO TO GOD

MYOU ARE MY WITNESSES, I AM GOD."

...ISAIAH 43:12-13

INT. - MEETING, BAPTIST ASSEMBLY, ORDER FR.  
N. G. SAID, "ANY DAY, MOST IMP. TASK OF  
CHURCH IS EVANGELISM. I NO JUST IMP. TASK  
IS TO WORSHIP GOD IN ME - "WOMEN"

1. 17 13:

1. NOT JUST GOING TO CHURCH, COWARD ACTS

2. AND YET, IF PEOPLE REALLY BELIEVE, HOW  
CAN THEY BE CONTENT TO CUT CHURCH FOR VISIT  
BOATING, WHATEVER. ("WEATS HAVE DESTROYED  
OUR YP WORK, ETC.")

3. TO LIVE IN CONSCIOUSNESS OF SELECTING L.V.

4. GOD IS KNOWN THROUGH HIS GRACE

1. CREATION TELLS LITTLE - WHAT REALLY TELL  
WHAT GOD IS LIKE IS HIS GRACE, HIS LOVE

2. MEETING AT TEMPLE - QUOTE FR. RABBI  
SIMON BAR JOHNA, MARTIN LUTHER

3. WITNESSES, NOT JUST BY GOING OUT AND  
SPEAKING, BUT BY BEING HIS PEOPLE

4. MYSTERY OF ELECTION - ABRAHAM DID NOT  
GET SO SMART HE DISCOVERED GOD; GOD REVEALED  
HIMSELF TO HIM - ABRAHAM, DAVID, ALL THE REST

5. AND HE, CIRCLED AROUND BY HIS PROVIDENCE,  
WITNESSED HIS OWN REFINEMENT, WAS IT OUR DUTY  
TO WHAT ABOUT OTHERS, NOT ELECT? WE CAN'T  
EXPLAIN, A LITTLE LIKE A CONTEST, IF ALL DON'T  
NO CONTEST - DOES GOD CONCERN THEM TO HELL  
FOREVER? WE DON'T KNOW, LEAVE IN HIS HANDS

!!! WHAT DO WE DO, TO BE WITNESSES?

1. RECEIVE HIS GRACE HUMBLY - NOT EXALT  
OURSELVES, SAY, "WHAT A NICE BOY AM I!" -  
NOT LIKE CORNIE, HAPPY, ET AL.

2. BUT HUMBLY, HUMBLY, RECEIVE HIS GRACE  
KNOW THAT WE REALLY ARE HIS PEOPLE with each other

3. AND OFFER BEST WISHES (ALL LEB. NOT BUSY  
TO EVEN, ... BEST PRAYER, PRAYER, THOUGHT)

4. BEST WORK, BEST BEING, THAT WE CAN  
GIVE - REP. TO GOD. ON SEC. ED YOUR WORLD IS  
CHARACTERIZED BY A STRIKING SPOON OF THE  
IMMEDIATE AWARENESS OF THE DIVINE."



# COMMAND PERFORMANCE

WORSHIP THE LORD IN HOLY ARRAY. - Ps. 96:9  
INT. - COMMAND PERFORMANCE

WE ARE INVITED, NOT COMMANDED, TO WORSHIP  
1. "PROTESTANTS DON'T THINK IT'S A SIN TO MISS CHURCH"

2. WORSHIP IS NOT A DUTY TO BE GOT THROUGH, BUT A RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVING LOVE  
3. GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP - BUT AN INVITATION OF A KING IS TANTAMOUNT TO A COMMAND

4. HOW MUCH MORE AN INVITATION OF GOD!  
5. WORSHIP IS A PICTURE OF A THEATRE PERFORMED

1. OLD CONCEPT - MINISTER, CHOIR, ORGANIST, THE PERFORMERS; THE PEOPLE THE AUDIENCE, GOD THE PROMPTER.

2. NEW CONCEPT - PEOPLE THE PERFORMERS, MINISTER, CHOIR, ORGANIST PROMPTER-PERFORMER - GOD THE AUDIENCE.

3. SPECIAL DAY (E.G., INSTALLATION SUNDAY) CHORUS WANTS TO BE READY WITH SOMETHING WELL REHEARSED, MINISTER HAS SPECIAL MESSAGE

4. EVERY SUNDAY IS A SPECIAL DAY - GOD IS PRESENT! MINISTER, CHOIR, ORGANIST, EVERY ONE WHO JOINS IN HYMNS, HOWEVER FEELY, IN RESPONSE, THE LORD'S PRAYER OR THE CREED, GOES IN CONSCIOUSNESS OF GOD'S PRESENCE.

1. HOLY ARRAY - BEAUTY OF HOLINESS  
WHEN THE KING VISITED THE SCHOOL, IF TEACHER, PUPILS HAD KNOWN, WOULD HAVE DRESSED UP FOR THE OCCASION

2. "SUNDAY CLOTHES" - MINISTER WHO SERVED COMMUNION IN A T-SHIRT

3. NOT FINE CLOTHES, BUT RECOGNITION OF GOD THROUGH REVERENT ACTION AND RIGHTEDNESS OF LIFE - ISA. - SEEK JUSTICE, CORRECT OPPRESSION

# MINISTERS PRAYER

NO LORD, LET THY EAR BE ATTENTIVE... PRAYER OF THY SERVANT... SERVANTS WHO DELIGHT TO SERVE THY NAME... SUCCESS... ARRY IN THE SIGHT OF THIS MAN (ARTORXAS) - Neh. 1:1

INT. - Neh. 1's memoirs, oldest in human lit so extensive - Background - Susa, not Babylon - Mordechai Cupbearer to the King - How did he do it?

1. Success, position, wealth, recognition - thru persistence, Jews sticking together, 2. Retherschild family

2. Devotion, too - faithful to law, earned in prayer

3. But he had comfort, security, hard to take risks with that - *Source of Call*  
II What sort of prayer?

1. Acknowledgement of God - Great and terrible, maker and keeper of covenant, demanding allegiance, love, obedience

2. Confession of sin - of self and people

3. Pleading God's promise

4. Pleading, not just for self, for people

5. Specifically, asking success in immediate enterprise

III Prayer and Action  
1. Instantaneous prayer 2:4

2. Send me - Gms we pray, "Lord, save the lost - by sending somebody else"

3. When sent, he went, dedicated action mingled with prayer - "prayed to God, and set a watch"

4. - N. lived bef. X - Fall, for ex. know much more about God than - but he prayed, and committed half. We don't know

# ESRA THE SOJOURNER

"Esra had set his heart to study the law, and to do it, and to teach statutes and ordinances in Israel." -- Ezra 7:10

INT. - Ezra, Book of the Month - in Heb one with Nehemiah, Wils. I, II Esdras  
I The Mighty Providence of God

1. Cat. "All his creature's actions" 2. Punishment of Judah, not vindictive, but purposive, to teach that People of God can't live like the world

3. 70 years captivity, now, restoration - How? Thru fall of Babylon, rise of Persia, thru Cyrus, Zerubbabel and Haggai, thru Artaxerxes, Nehemiah and Ezra - **COMMUNITY IS ACCIDENT!**  
II The Law of God

1. Already some revered, preserved, sacred writings - Law, Psalms, etc. al. some Psalms

2. But Ezra set his heart to study, practice, teach the Law (and other ss)

3. Then for first time a nation faced fact that God has given us a LAW, it is our way of life.

4. In X's day Law, Psalms, Writings - ins. Books of Ezra, Neh., Haggai, et al.

5. In our days, of ss, plus the Gospel, all N.T. ss - it is GOD'S REVELATION TO US. OUR WAY OF LIFE. Trust and Obey

1. Ezra told king, "We can trust God" it took some doing.

2. He told people, "WE MUST OBEY GOD'S LAW" -- that took some doing; still does

3. It took knowing, too - "Set heart to study, ... and teach."



BELOVED, WE ARE GOD'S CHILDREN NOW; IT DOES NOT YET APPEAR WHAT WE SHALL BE... BUT WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM... -- 1 John 3:2

TRY. -- CAN ON STREET, HANDING OUT TRACTS -- HAVE YOU A XIAN? YES, I AM. I HAVE YOU SAVED? YES, I AM. I HAVE MY NAME?

1. WE ARE GOD'S CHILDREN NOW

1. GOD IS LOVE, AND HIS LOVE IS EXPRESSED TO US, WRITES JOHN, (ALL WHO, BEING AWARE OF HIS LOVE THROUGH CHRIST, HAVE RESPONDED TO IT IN FAITH AND ACCEPTANCE) IN MAKING US HIS CHILDREN (when we say "Guilt" and "Child of God")

2. PAUL SPEAKS OF ADOPTION -- (OF NEW BIRTH CERTIFICATE FOR ADOPTED CHILD) BUT GOD DOES STRETCH TO US INSIDE, NOT ONLY LEGALLY

3. INCREDIBLE AS IT MAY SEEM, WE ARE JUST AS TRULY ONE WITH HIM IN SPIRIT AS WE ARE PHYSICALLY PART OF OUR EARTHLY PARENTS -- (WHY CALLED CHILD OF GOD? WE ARE Heavenly Citizens)

4. CHILDREN OF GOD NOW, WHATEVER MAY COME -- LIKE GRADUATE, WHATEVER MAY COME... DIPLOMA IN 11 WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM

1. IT DOES NOT YET APPEAR WHAT WE SHALL BE JUST NOT THAT JOHN, OTHER APOSTLES, WHENEVER AS WE DO, NOW IT COULD BE -- PAUL SAYS, "MAKE WILL SAY, THEN...? WHAT BODY...? ...SAY. BODY"

2. JOHN SAYS, WHEN IT IS MADE KNOWN (OR WHO HE IS MADE KNOWN) WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM

3. WE CAN'T IMAGINE OURSELVES APART FROM GOD -- NEITHER CAN WE IMAGINE HOW GOD IS, W/ BODY BUT WE BEL THAT HE IS, IS MORE REAL, MORE COMPLETE BY FAR, THAN OURSELVES

4. WHATEVER GOD IS LIKE, THAT'S WHAT WE SHALL BE LIKE -- MORE WE CAN'T KNOW, DON'T NEED

11 EVERYONE WHO TRUSTS GODS IN HIM...

1. IT IS A HOPE, NOT JUST A THEORY. HERE IS

SOMETHING FOR OURSELVES

2. JOHN HAS A LOT TO SAY ABOUT WHAT BEING

CHILD OF GOD MEANS IN TERMS OF LIVING -- NO TIME

FAIREST LORD JESUS

IT IS ENOUGH... DISCIPLE... TEACHER... USER... WENT... AS HIS MASTER. -- MATT. 10:25

INT. -- DON'T WORRY IF PEOPLE CALL YOU A DEVIL, OR A FANATIC, OR A SO-GOODER, OTHER CALLED JESUS ALL THAT (ON US)

1. ENOUGH TO DEAR, LIKE HIM, WHAT GOD PUTS IN WHY DON'T YOUR DISCIPLES FAST?... NEEDS HBRIDESSROOM... TIME ENOUGH TO FAST

2. JESUS ATE AND GAVE THANKS -- HIS 40 OF FAST WAS A VIGIL, FAST APPARENTLY ONLY INCIDENTAL, BEG. NO FOOD THERE -- TEMP. SUGGESTS IF ... BREAD, HE WOULD HAVE EATEN

3. THE SUFFERING THAT GOD SENDS IS ENOUGH NO NEED OF FLAGELLATIONS, NO NEED TO BORN TROUBLE AND PAIN. IF THEY PERSECUTE YOU IN ONE VILLAGE, FLEE... IN SO DID HE

4. THE DANGER GOD SENDS IS ENOUGH -- NO NEED TO COURT DANGER, THUS TEMPT GOD

11 FAIREST LORD JESUS

1. GASP. GIVE NO DESCR. OF JESUS, ONLY FEEL THAT HE DIGN. FROM THEN WE SEE: Jesus, Mary Magdalene, Peter, James, John, Paul, etc. -- PERFECTNESS OF FAITH -- LENTENESS

H. WILL KILL YOU, JEWS SAUGHT TO STONE, SO AGAIN? -- CAREST NOT PERISH?

A. HATRED OF HYPOCRISY -- CLEAN INSIDE

C. COMPASSION FOR SHEEP WITH NO SHEPHERD CONTINUAL SEEKING FOR FLSPH OF FAITH

E. WHOLE-HEARTED ACCEPT. OF F'S WILL

F. LOVE, BASED ON CONSCIOUSNESS OF GOD'S LOVE AND FORGIVING GRACE -- 3rd

111 NOT WORTHY TO TIE HIS SHOE

1. THE IDEAL MAKES US AFRAID

2. DEPART FROM ME... SINFUL MAN... FEAR ME

HENCEFORTH FISHER OF MEN -- FEED MY SHEEP

3. BE IMITATORS OF ME, AS I OF X

WHO KNOWETH WHETHER THOU ART COME TO THE KINGDOM FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS? -- ESTHER 13:14

INT. -- ESTHER, ONLY BOOK OF BIBLE WITHOUT THE NAME OF GOD -- BUT THE IDEA THERE IS THERE IS A THRILL FOR US IN ANY EMERGENCY

1. WAR -- MANY REMEMBER, ALMOST FORTHLY, THE TENSION, GAS RATIONING, DANGER

2. THE DEPRESSION -- WHEN NO SECURITY IN YOUR NEW SKILL FOR MONEY -- SURVIVE IF POSSIBLE

3. ESTHER'S GREAT EMERGENCY -- WHO KNOWS... 11 A GRAND AND AWFUL TIME

1. ACCELERATED PACE OF WORLD IN 20TH CENT. 2. GREAT THINGS IN CHURCHES -- PRES. D.C. PLAN TO DOUBLE MEMBERSHIP -- GRAF. CH. PLAN TO DOUBLE MEMBERSHIP IN 10 YEARS -- HALF ONE

3. PLANS FOR STUDENT CENTERS (WATCH TOWNS) COLLEGES, CAMP GROUNDS, NEW CHURCHES, EQUIPMENT

4. BLENDED INTO SET IN CHURCHES, INCREASED NUMBERS -- IS IT A REVIVAL INDEED?

5. CHALLENGE TO EVANGELISM -- TO WAKE IT SERIOUSLY, REALLY REACH UNREACHED, AND GLOBE MEMBERSHIP

6. VISION OF A CHURCH MADE UP, NOT MOSTLY OF NOMINAL MEMBERS, BUT ALL STUDYING, ALL PRAYING, ALL WORKING

111 EXPLANATION THOU

1. GOD CAN ACCOMPLISH HIS PURPOSE, SOMETHING, BUT THIS IS OUR BIG CHANGE

2. NOT DOWN, YOUNG MAN... REACTION... WITHOUT YOU -- DO WE WANT IT COME WITHOUT US?

3. SHALL WE BE CONTENT TO SIT ON SIDELINES FOREVER, WHILE GREAT THINGS ARE BEING DONE?

4. THE CHALLENGE WE THIS RECALL -- NOTHING SHALL BE IMPOSSIBLE



HOSEA, LET US RETURN TO THE LORD; FOR HE HAS TORN, AND HE WILL HEAL US; HE HAS STRICKEN, AND HE WILL BIND US UP."

—HOSEA 6:1

INT. -- EARTH DAY AND THE CENSUS  
1. GOD CARES ABOUT THE LAND - SOIL, AIR, WATER, PLANTS, ANIMALS

1. ECOLOGY
2. LONG EVOLUTIONARY PROCESS - WORK OF GOD THROUGH COUNTLESS MILLIONS OF YEARS
3. THREAT OF DESTRUCTION OF IT ALL -

BY NUCLEAR WAR - *Q. nuclear Bomb*

BY INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION OF AIR, WATER  
*Q. toxic waste, sewage, pollution*

11. BY DUMPING GARBAGE ON ROADSIDE

BY THROWING COKE CANS ON LAWN

THE PEOPLE ARE PART OF ECOLOGY

1. TAKING CENSUS - WHERE CROSS THE...WAYEN
2. OUR AREA - THE LAND MOST GREATLY BLESSED IN NATURAL RESOURCES OF ALL THE WORLD -

MIDDLE FERTILESS, THE FAIREST PORTION OF THAT LAND

THE HIGHLAND GIM, UNIQUE COMBINATION OF FERTILITY AND NATURAL BEAUTY

3. NOT GHETTOS NOR SLUMS, BUT EVEN HERE -

EXAMPLES OF WASTE, NEGLIGENCE, UNCONCERN

4. TAKING CENSUS - MANY WOMES OF HONESTY,

PATIENT EFFORT FOR DECENCY, KINDNESS

5. BUT EVEN HERE MOUNTS OF WRETCHEDNESS...

6. IF THE PEOPLE DESTROY THE ECOLOGY, THEY

DESTROY THEMSELVES - "GOD, SAVE THE PEOPLE

RETURN UNTO THE LORD

1. HOSEA PREACHED IN TIME OF GREAT PROSPERITY, OFTEN AT COST OF EXPLOITATION OF POOR

2. RULERS PLAYED INTERNATIONAL POLITICS, EGYPT, ASSYRIA - AS WE TODAY, FASCISM, COMMUNISM

3. PROPHETS PREACHED OF DESTRUCTION - CAME!

4. RETURN, REMEM - GOD'S PURPOSE IS GOOD, BUT HE LETS US SUFFER CONSEQUENCES OF OUR

FOLLY - RETURN TO GOD...FORM...NEAL

## THE PAIN OF GOD

WIS EXPLAIN MY DEAR SON? IS HE MY DARLING CHILD? FOR AS OFTEN AS I SPEAK AGAINST HIM, I DO REMEMBER HIM STILL. THEREFORE MY HEART YEARS FOR HIM; I WILL SURELY HAVE MERCY ON HIM, SAYS THE LORD. --JER. 31:20

INT. - BOOK, THE PAIN OF GOD, KAZOH KITAHORI

JAPANESE - THEMIS, EVEN WHEN GOD PUNISHES, DESTROYS, HE STILL LOVES. THAT IS PAIN OF GOD

1. GOD IS KNOWN THRO HUMAN PAIN

1. *1977*, TO NOAH, (OF THE SEA, OF BEASTS)

TO BE EXCITED, TROUBLED, TO BE IN PAIN

2. PROPHETS, PSALMISTS, DESCRIBE CONDITION

OF THEIR HEARTS BY THIS TERM

4. JER. 4:10, MY ANGUISH...! WRITHE IN PAIN

MY HEART IS BEATING WILDLY

11. JER. 48:35, MY HEART MOANS FOR NOAH

(STRIKING HOW PROPHETS PREDICTED DEATH

ON OTHER NATIONS, CYRIA, TYRE, EVEN

EGYPT, BUT EIP. NOAH, WITH SORROW)

6. PS. 55:17, EVENING, MORNING, NOON,

I VETER MY COMPLAINT, AND MORN

7. PS. 38:13, TROULT OF MY HEART

8. PS. 42:5, ET AL WHY...DIEQUETED...?

9. PS. 56:8, MY BELOVED BUY HIS HAND

TO THE LATER, MY HEART WAS THRILLED.

THE PAIN OF GOD

1. JER. IN PROPHETIC VISION, PRESENTS GOD

SAYS FEELING THIS PAIN

2. EVEN IN JUDGMENT, PUNISHMENT, DESTRUCTION

3. STILL REMEMBERS, FEELS PAIN

4. THAT DOESN'T MEAN HE DOES NOT PUNISH, THAT

HE DOESN'T MEAN HE DOESN'T MEAN HIS PAIN

11. CHRISTMAS IS ABOUT THE CROSS

1. ISA. 53:15-16, THE YEARNING OF THE HEART...

TWO APT...NOT, THOU ART OUR...REDEEMER

"IN WHAT WERE YOU LESS PAINED THAN THE REST OF THE CHURCHES, EXCEPT THAT I MYSELF DID NOT BURDEN YOU? ERGIVE ME THIS CROSS!" -- 11 COR. 12:13

INT. - 11 COR., MINISTER'S LETTER, DIS-APPOINTMENT, HEARTBREAK, OPPOSITION INSTEAD OF COOPERATION, SUSPICION, CONFEQUENCE, HATE INSTEAD OF LOVE, BUT ONLY IN. IN WE SLIGHTED I YOU WERE NOT ASKED TO FACE UP TO YOUR DUTY

1. EDITORIAL - OTHER SINS, E.G. INTENT,

GAMBLING, PUBLIC SCANDAL, PROCR, SLOERS TRY

TO DO STHEI MAN WHO PLEDES PITYANCE ON WITH

NORRDY SAYS A WORD.

2. PAUL COULDN'T ASK FOR HELP FOR HELP -

WORK, OR WITHOUT, BUT COULDN'T ASK

3. "I REBDED OTHER CHURCHES - MACEDONIA

4. ERGIVE THIS CROSS - IT WAS A WRONG

11 PEOPLE OUGHT TO BE ASKED

1. MOST PEOPLE RESPOND TO A HEAL SHARED

APPROACH - UNITED FUND - J. NEWTON & MARSE

2. VISITING PREACHERS - "IT'S YOUR TURN

(AS WE DO WITH FLOWERS) - PEOPLE WHO MISS

THIS MISS A REAL BLESSING

3. AND PEOPLE WHO DON'T PLEDGE TO CHURCH

DEO NORRDY SAYS, "DO YOUR SHARE MISS BLES

11 BUT PAUL DIDN'T LIKE TO ASK - AND NEITHER

DO WE

1. DEACONS DON'T LIKE TO CANVASS

2. PEOPLE DOESN'T LIKE TO INSIST ON IT

3. SO WE DO AN SPEAKING IN GENERAL TERMS,

PROCR PROCR (PPL SLEEP) DISTRIBUTED BROCHURES

(WASTE BASKET ON CHURCH FLOOR) CARDS, (SOME

SIGN AND RETURN, OTHERS DON'T)

IV BUT WE OUGHT NOT TO NEED TO BE ASKED

1. MACEDONIANS

2. I WANT MISS DAILY ON MY LIST

THE ARE NOT OF THEM WHO DRAW BACK UNTO PERDITION, BUT OF THEM WHO BELIEVE. IF

-- HEB. 10:39

INT. - HEB. WRITTEN TO THOSE FACING GREAT CHANGES, WORLD SHAKING EVENTS, DESTR. OF FORMER FOUNDATIONS  
1. A BETTER COVENANT

1. NO LONGER ONE NATION, BUT ALL PEOPLE
2. NO LONGER DAILY SACR. BUT ONCE FOR A
3. NO LONGER ONE TEMPLE, BUT ONLY. CHUR
4. NO LONGER PRIESTHOOD OF ONE TRIBE,

BUT GREAT HIGH PRIEST, THRO WHOM

ALL HAVE DIRECT ACCESS TO GOD.  
11 GOD CONTINUALLY CHALLENGES HIS PEOPLE WITH IMPOSSIBILITIES:

1. ADMISSION OF GENTILES
2. SEPARATE ME BARNABAS AND SAUL
3. NECESSITY OF ORGANIZATION AND PROFESSIONAL MINISTRY.

4. "THEY SHOULD BE ANGELSH

5. "WHEN I STAND"

6. "IN THIS GENERATION"

111 FAITH FOR A CHANGING WORLD - *Founding*

1. YOUNG PEOPLE WITH NEW IDEAS - YOUNG PREACHERS MAY SHOCK CONSERVATIVE OLD

2. PLACE OF WOMEN IN CHURCH

3. *Churches, temples and programs offered*

INSTITUTIONS - DAVE STITT

4. RACE QUESTION - DELIV. OF GEN. ASSEL

SOUTH AFRICA. APARTHEID - BARTV PRES.

CHURCH TO CR. OF SCOTLAND

WE STILL BELIEVE THAT GOD DISPOSES,

WHERE MEN CAN ONLY PLAN.

*James - Respect of persons*

"HE DIED FOR ALL, THAT I-USE WHO LIVE

MIGHT NO LONGER LIVE TO THEMSELVES, BUT FOR HIM WHO FOR THEIR SAKE DIED AND WAS RAISED."

-- 1 Cor. 5:11

INT. - SOME SAID PAUL WAS CRAZY, FOXY IF CRAZY, FOR GOD, IF SMART, FOR YOU - COMPELLED BY LOVE OR ?  
1 HE DIED FOR ALL

1. ALL UNDER CONDEMNATION, ALL HAVE SINNET THOSE IGNORANT OF LAW, STILL KNOW SIN OF GOD, OF RIGHT AND WRONG

THOSE WHO KNOW LAW, REBEL AGAINST IT THOSE WHO KNOW LAW, TRY TO KEEP, FAIL

2. HE ROCK ON - SELF THE SIN, GUILT, DEATH OF ALL - "ONE DIED FOR ALL, ALL DEAD"

WHOM HE MADE ALIVE, WHO WERE DEAD IN SIN

3. HE DIED FOR ALL, BUT NOT ALL BELIEVE

11 HE DIED TO BRING US LIFE

1. NOT THE SORT OF LIFE WE HAD (BROTHER, UP NOT HAVE) BEFORE - *but was wanted from you*

2. *our death was separation from God, our* LIFE IS RECONCILIATION

3. THOSE WHO BELIEVE, ACCEPT, OFTEN DON'T

FEEL A RADICAL CHANGE - STILL SINNERS,

STILL FEEL THE NEED TO CONFESS SIN, REPENT

4. NOT IN CASE, MAGIC RELIEF FROM ALL OUR

TRoubles, BUT A NEW LIFE - FOR NOW...

111 WE LIVE, NOT FOR OURSELVES, BUT FOR GOD

HE STILL DID THIS NEAR TO PAUL, WHO WROTE?

BUT ALL THESE LEGS AND, CLOTHES, FRIENDS,

3. WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO USE WE STILL HAVE

OUR PLANS, CAREERS, WORK, HOBBIES, HOMES,

AMBITIONS, FRIENDS - BUT ALL SUBJECT TO X

3. CONDEMNATION IS PLEDGE OF OUR ACCEPTANCE

*of his death for us of once more...*

"HE THAT GOES FORTH WEeping, BRINGING THE SEED FOR SOWING."

-- PSALM 126:6

13 INT. - HARVEST TIME - PLANTING BEGINS

1 PREVIOUS SEED *but they had no seed*

1. PS. 126 - BACK FROM CAPTIVITY - AT JOY,

BUT HARD TIMES, TOO - THIS WAS LIKE SOWING

2. FAMINE IN BETHSHEAN, 1200 - IT'S THE ST

AMERICA, OVER PRODUCTION, BUT FAMINE REAL

IN MANY PLACES

3. PRECIOUS SEED, NEEDED FOR BREAD. NOT

LITERALLY WEeping, BUT PLANTING WHAT THEY

REALLY NEEDED TO EAT, SACRIFICING PRESENT

NEED TO LONG RANGE PLANS.

4. STEWARDSHIP - USING OUR RESOURCES, NOT

JUST FOR PRESENT NEED, BUT FOR LONG RANGE

PLANS.

11 HOW MUCH DO WE CARE WHETHER CHURCH GROWS

1. DO WE CARE ENOUGH TO GO WITHOUT STHG WE

REALLY WANT, OR ONLY GIVE WHAT WE CAN SPARE?

2. EXAMPLE: CAN CHURCH GO ON WITHOUT MINIST

DO'S, MISSIONARIES? DO WE CARE ENOUGH TO

SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIES? SEMINARIES CAN'T HAV

MINISTERS JUST OUT OF MONEY - CHURCH COLLEGE

XIAN ES PRGM, INCL. SUMMER CAMPS, ETC. DO WE

CARE ENOUGH TO INCOURAGE OUR YOUTH TO SEEK

MINICH VOCATIONS?

3. DO WE CARE ENOUGH TO COMMIT OURSELVES?

OR DO WE SAY, "I'LL GIVE, BUT..."

111 THE CHURCH IS NOT JUST THIS CHURCH

1. REVOLUTION - MAY ARE THEY ALWAYS

ASKING FOR MORE? HOL - "DON'T ASK ME TO

GIVE... OVERSEAS" *(over)*

2. GRAND BAY - PRES. SPENT OVER 20,000 ALSO

3. DEAREST CHURCH OF ALL IS ONE THAT LIVES

JUST FOR ITSELF *Life of church is life of*

## LIVING DANGEROUSLY

"THOU SHALT LOVE THY NEIGHBOR AS THYSELF."

-- MARK 12:31

INT. -- QUESTION OF JESUS -- LAST SUN -- TODAY

I CONSIDERATION AND CONCERN

1. FOR POOR AND STRANGER, DEAF AND BLIND

2. NO PARTIALITY, NO EXPLORATION

3. NO HATRED, NO VENGEANCE, NO GRUDGE

4. LOVE -- AS YOURSELF

II WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

1. OK, THAT'S THE LAW; NOW DEFINE TERMS

2. JESUS -- PARABLE OF GOOD SAMARITAN

3. A PERSON HE NEVER SAW BEFORE -- FOREIGNER AT THAT

4. AND WHAT ABOUT PEOPLE OF OTHER NATIONS?

OTHER RACES? PEOPLE WHO ARE TRASH, BUMS, DIRTY, WHO DON'T CARE AND NEVER WILL? CRIMINALS?

5. WE MUST SOMETIMES DEFEND OURSELVES, SOME MUST BE SOLDIERS, POLICE -- MAY HAVE TO KILL.

6. BUT ARE WE EVER ALLOWED TO HATE, OR TO HOLD IN CONTEMPT? NYANKER, SO HOW IS IT NOT SOFTLY?

III LIVING DANGEROUSLY *read in not softly*

1. PRIEST, LEVITE -- DEFENDERS, 1/12/65, PPL WHO SAW BOYS MURDERING MAN FOR KICKS, WOULD NOT INTERVENE OR EVEN CALL POLICE -- HE DIDN'T WANT TO GET INVOLVED. *Required as needed*

2. IT IS DANGEROUS TO HELP PEOPLE -- STILL MORE DANGEROUS TO LOVE -- IT MAY COST MONEY, BREAK YOUR HEART

3. BUT THAT'S THE WAY JESUS LIVED -- LOVING PEOPLE WHO WERE BAD, PEOPLE WHO LET HIM DOWN, BETRAYED HIM, PUT HIM TO DEATH

4. AND THAT'S THE WAY HE CALLS US TO LIVE

*"He that loveth with ... brother's love"*

## RESPONSIBILITY TO THE EARTH

~~INTRODUCTION~~

"If my land has cried out against me,

I And its furrows have wept together;

If I have eaten its yield without payment,

And caused the death of its owners;

Let thorns grow instead of wheat,

And fowl weeds instead of barley."

-- Job. 31:38-40

Int. - Rural Life Sunday - *Levin's hands*

Job's Soliloquy

1. (If, as you accuse, I am such a sinner)

Retribution should be in kind - not bills

2. If I have done THIS, let THAT be punishment

3. If my land cries out..... *Redie figure*

II What Can Make the Land Cry out?

1. Eating its yield without payment

a. No care for land itself, neglect, erosion

failure to develop - ecology - wild life

b. No recognition of land itself - *over-explored*

c. No recognition of God, the Giver

2. Causing the Death of its Owners

a. Ravages of war *Chaplin's Landlords -*

b. Economic and social pressures

c. Death or its equivalent - driving away

3. Nobody Has a Right to Abuse the Land, No

One Ever So Much Owner

III Job Recognized a Responsibility to Land

1. Note, "my" land, vs. "its owners"

2. The Earth is the Lord's... The soil, miner,

plant and animal life, all part of "the Earth,"

part of "my Land", whoever owns it.

3. Even the people, "Made from dust"

IV What Does All This Mean to Us?

1. The mystery of earth's fruitfulness should

never be despised, forgotten *we are earth's people*

2. That whether or not we ever own a foot of

land, it is still "my Land", will cry out if

abused. Whether or not we ever plow a furrow,

we are responsible for the land and its people

3. That whoever holds title, "The earth is

the Lord's." and we are *earth's people*

How beautiful are the feet..." - Isa. 62:

Int. - Prayer and SELF denial

I Am FEET Beautiful?

1. Symbol of GOING - bearing message of

release - "Publish glad tidings..."

2. Release is beautiful - Relief of *even bagpipes*

3. *even bagpipes* - *steampowered, jeeps, trucks,*

planes - hospitals, schools, churches -

doctors, nurses, teachers, ministers

II "Feet" don't Go Alone

1. The rest of the body goes along - little

feet, be careful...

2. We could send jeeps, trucks, *planes,*

prb. put to bad use

3. The only way to send God's love is in

a human package

4. And even then the package is insecure

III - at our best we represent him but

poorly, when we rep. best we are often

misunderstood, stms resented and hated

III Surely "You can't Mean ME!"

1. What sort of people? *Xian people,*

2. What sort of gifts? *Ministers, teachers,*

pilots, mechanics, agronomists, musicians

3. People who can't be satisfied merely

to make plans for "my" future, success,

wealth, prestige - we belong to X, make

our plans accordingly

4. Some, "We're too old" Not too old to

wish, to care, to pray. Never a time for

a Xian to be indifferent -

5. Pray the Lord of the harvest - and send

body, maybe your son, "Where am I, send me"

### "FRAGGING THE BEAST"

"WHOEVER SAYS, 'YOU FOOL!' SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE HELL (GEHENNA) OF FIRE." - MATT. 5:22

INT. - WHY SUCH A PENALTY FOR THIS WORD?

MORON - JESUS USED IT, MATT. 23:17 - NOT THE WORD, BUT ATTITUDE TOWARD BROTHER

I FRAGGING THE BEAST - (FRAGMENTATION GRENADE)

1. ENEMY IS A GEEK, DINK, SLOPE... (NOT A HUMAN BEING) - OFFICER IS A BEAST, POLICEMAN

A PIG - OK KILL PIGS, WE DEHUMANIZE THEM

2. SO "FOOL", OR RACA, OR WHATEVER, GODLESS

COMMUNIST - NOT A PERSON - DOESN'T MATTER

WHAT HAPPENS TO HIM - (OR HIPPIE)

3. "BACKASS" MY BROTHER IN

11 MY BROTHER AND I - ANGRY... JUDGMENT

1. "....KILL... JUDGMENT; ...RACA... BANNING..."

...FOOL... GEHENNA..."

2. "OFFERING YOUR GIFT... BE RECONCILED TO YOUR BROTHER"

3. JESUS, FIRST COM: "LOVE GOD... SECOND, LOVE NEIGHBOR (BROTHER)"

4. JOHN (1 JO. 4:20) "IF A MAN SAYS 'I LOVE GOD, I AND HATES HIS BROTHER... LIARE HE CANNOT A MAN LOVE GOD... NOT SEEN; ...BROTHER...'"

5. WHEN WE REJECT OUR BROTHER, REJECT GOD

111 HELL - "WHY DON'T YOU PREACH ABOUT HELL?"

1. NO CLEAR DOCTRINE OF H. IN BIBLE - SHEOL

FACES, GEHENNA, TARTARUS, AND LAKE OF FIRE

CHURCH FORMULATED DOCTRINE OF H AND PURGATOR

2. WHAT CAN WE BELIEVE ABOUT HELL?

A. GOD'S MERCY IS GREAT, DO NOT JUDGE

B. GOD IS CERTAINLY NOT VINDICTIVE

C. BUT ACTIONS, ATTITUDES, HAVE INEVITABLE CONSEQUENCES - WHEN WE REJECT GOD, FINALLY AND COMPLETELY, WE DESTROY GOD'S IMAGE IN OURSELVES - THIS IS "SECOND DEATH", "HELL"

D. "WHICH WAY I FLY IS HELL..."

E. SON WHO REJECTS FATHER STILL LOVED, F STILL

"THE MAN WHO REJECTED..." - "DESC. INTO HELL"

P. GOD Y'S LOVE - "IF REJECT LOVE, REJECT GOD"

"IF WE BELIEVE NOT, HE REMAINS FAITHFUL,

HE CANNOT DENY HIMSELF." - 11 JIM. 2:13

INT. - "FAITHFUL SAYING" - CREEDS - EARLY

STATEMENT OF FAITH - "IF WE GOD WILL... - BUT

LAST PARTY SAYS, NO MATTER WHAT WE DO...."

1. GOD IS GOD!

1. NO MATTER HOW WE DISOBEY, REJECT, DISBEL

2. JUST AS MY FATHER IS STILL MY FATHER,

EVEN IF I CHANGE MY NAME, TURN AGAINST ALL

HE STOOD FOR - I MAY DISOWN, STILL MY FATHER

3. HOSEA 11:8-9; "HOW CAN I HATE YOU OVER?"

...I AM GOD, AND NOT MAN" (HOSEA LEARNED HARD

4. I JOHN 2:2 REPIATION... NOT OURS ONLY... WHOLE WORLD!"

11 WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE GOD'S CHILD?

1. DO I HAVE TO DO STUFF, OR AM I HIS CHILD

NO MATTER WHAT I DO?

2. PRODIGAL SON - AT HOME, SAFE BUT REBELL!

HE WAS A SON... LEAVING, INSISTING ON OWN WAY,

STILL A SON; DRINKING AND CAROUSING, STILL

A SON; BROKE AND HUNGRY, STILL A SON; BUT

WHEN HE DISCOVERED, ACKNOWLEDGED HIS SONSHIP,

WAS HE NOT STILL MORE A SON?

4. ALL THIS TIME THE FATHER LOVED HIM - HE

MINGLED WITH JOY IN RETURN, STILL MORE A FATH

111 HE REMAINS FAITHFUL - CANNOT DENY HIMSELF

1. WHETHER WE KNOW IT OR NOT, WHETHER WE

BELIEVE OR NOT, WHETHER WE OBEY OR NOT, GOD

IS OUR FATHER, X DIED FOR US

2. WHAT DOES THAT MEAN TO DOCTRINE OF ETERNAL

PUNISHMENT? I DON'T KNOW. ALL OUR DOCTRINES

HUMAN CONCEPTS OF THINGS ONLY PARTLY GRASPED

BUT EVEN IN HELL, GOD IS STILL MERCY, LOVE

2. WHEN I'LL GO AS I PLEASE "OK, PRODIGAL

SON, OLD TOO, FATHER DID NOT STOP HIM

3. "HAS GOD CAST AWAY HIS PEOPLE? NO!"

4. DOES THAT MEAN ISRAEL? YES! AMERICA? YES!

RUSSIA? CHINA? VIET CONG? ANGELA DAVIS? BLACK

PANTHERS? YES!"

5. "GOD LOVED US, EVEN TO DEATH"

HE CANNOT CHANGE - BUT WE CAN CHANGE!

"THOSE WHO FORSAKE THE LAW, PRAISE THE WICKED!"

INT. - "OH, THAT'S MEAN! LET'S US DO THAT

1. PRAISING THE WICKED

1. PROVERBS, LOOK OF THE MOUTH - WISDOM

2. THOSE WHO FORSAKE THE LAW TAKE THEIR

STAND WITH THE WICKED.

3. CRIMINALS OPENLY FLOUT THE LAW - OTHERS

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF LOOPHOLES, DELAYS, TECHNICALITIES - MRS. ROSE

4. OTHERS "TAKE THE LAW INTO THEIR OWN HAND

5. ALL WHO REJECT THE LAW AS THE MORN OF

LIFE, PRAISE THE WICKED - LET'S US DO THAT!

11 WHAT IS THE LAW?

1. "POWERS THAT BE ARE ORDAINED OF GOD" THAT

MEANT MERC - WAS HE ORDAINED? EVEN WHEN HE

PERSECUTED XIANS?

2. POLICE BRUTALITY, CORRUPTION

3. YET CITIZENS OWE A DUTY OF OBEDIENCE - XIANS

ESPECIALLY, WHO RECOGNIZE EVEN A CORRUPT

GOVERNMENT AT GOD'S INSTRUMENT

4. BUT IS GOV'T ALWAYS RIGHT? IS IT EVER

RIGHT TO DISOBEY? TO OVERTHROW GOVERNMENT?

ARK. EVOLUTION LAW - AMERICAN REVOLUTION

5. COURT HOUSE "ULTIMATE LAW IS WILL OF PPL

BUT IS IT? EVEN IF MAJORITY PASSES DISCRIMINATORY

LEGISLATION, UNJUST TO MINORITY?

6. JUDEO-XIANS BEL THAT BACK OF HUMAN LAW...

111 THE LAW OF GOD

1. NOT MERELY IO COM., BUT LAW OF CEREMONY,

WORSHIP, TITHES, SACRIFICES

2. PS. 19 CALLS IT "SUNETH" - HOW CAN IT BE?

3. PSYCHOLOGISTS SAY TEEN-AGERS SUBCONC

WANT AUTHORITY, EVEN WHEN THEY REBEL AG. IT

4. ALL OF US NEED, REALLY WANT, STUFF THAT

MAKES DEMANDS OF US, KEEPS US ON TRACK

5. NT "LAW OF LIBERTY" XIAN IDEAL - COMMITMENT



## THE TROUBLE MAKER

HAS IT YOU, YOU TROUBLE OF ISRAEL?

INT. - 1 KING, BOOK OF PENTH AND 1

THE BOOKS OF KINGS - FIRST KINGS

1. WHO PROVE, WHEN? APPARENTLY OFFICIAL

RECORDS AND ORAL TRADITIONS, COMBINED AND

EDITED, HIPS IN TIME OF JOSIAH, CORON, WAS

SAME AND OTHER MATERIAL, EDITED EZRA'S DAY

2. COVERS PERIOD C. 900-600 A.C. 50 PP

1 AND 11 CONCERNED W/ ISRAEL AND JUDAH, BUT

1 MORE WITH ISRAEL, 11 MORE WITH JUDAH.

3. HERE AGAIN, WHO SAVED THE RECORDS IN

TIME OF DESTRUCTION OF SAMARIA, DESTRUCTION?

COSE'S PROVIDENCE IN PRESERVING WAS VITAL

PART OF PROCESS OF INSPIRATION

4. LAW, PROPHETS, WRITINGS - KINGS INCL.

IN PROPHETS, IT IS ABOUT PROPHETS, AND KING

11 ELIJAH, CENTRAL FIGURE OF 1 KING

1. A "TROUBLE MAKER" - ONE WHO COULD NOT

KEEP SILENCE AT SEEING LAW OF JUD FLOUTED

AAAB AND SAABTH - JEREMIEL'S IDOLATRY - DOES

2. ELIJAH AND BROUGHT - AND END OF DROUGHT

HOW COULD HE KNOW? (LH, HE WAS A PROPHET,

HE JUST KNEW) HE DID NOT KNOW; BUT HE BELIEVED

AND CALLED HIS SHOTS

3. JAMES CITED EX. OF PRAYER OF FAITH - NOT

BLIND FAITH, BUT CONFIDENT ASSERTION, WAIT

FOR FULFILLMENT, LOOK TO THE BEAM

4. YOU ARE THE TROUBLE MAKER - THAT'S NOT ALL

BAD, REALLY A GOOD KING; BUT

11 LARGO ISSUE - WAS ISRAEL TO LIVE BY LAW

OF GOD, OR BY CONTEMPORARY STANDARDS?

1. REL. AND CIVIL LAW SAME - OFTEN DISREG

2. REL. TOLERANCE NEEDED.

IF THERE IS HOPE FOR YOUR FUTURE!

-JAN. 21:17

WE WALK BY FAITH, NOT BY SIGHT

\* 11 COR. 5:7

INT. - NEW YEAR, STUDENT SUNDAY

THE PROPHETS WALKED BY FAITH, NOT SIGHT

1. WE EXPERIENCEDLY IMAGINE PROPHETS HAD

PERFECT KNOWLEDGE OF FUTURE - 1 PET. 1:10,

PROPHETS SCANDLED, INQUIRED... ELIJAH,

PRAYING, SAYING FOR CLAUD; JER., HAD,

NO GOD, ANYONE NO GOD, HOW LONGER NO GOD,

1. SAULT STAND THERE.

2. THEY SPoke, WHATE, NOT FROM PERFECT KNOW

BUT OUT OF PROFOUND CONVICTIONS THAT WHAT

THEY WERE SAYING, GOD AS SAYING

3. OFTEN RELEASED DESTRUCTION, "GOD CAN'T

STAND HALF-HEARTEDNESS, WAITER DISSEMINATED

HE WILL DESTROY ALL, NOT I HAVE A MAN"

4. THEN THEY TURNED TIGHT, AROUND, SAID,

WHO SAYS, IF HAVE LOVED... THERE IS ONE M

11 HOW DID COLLEGE STUDENTS FEEL, SAC D.C.

1. AS THEY PACED, NOT JUST REVERSAL OF

FORTUNES, BUT TOTAL DEFEAT, DESTRUCTION -

ALL THE WORLD THEY KNEW WAS FALLING IN RUIN

2. "YOU FATHERS SAID THE LAND WOULD SAVE

US - NOW LOOK, M'DELICIOUS IS A PRANK, JUST

ONE OPPOSITE OF THE PEOPLE)

3. "YOU FATHERS MADE PLANS, MULTITARY ALLING

NEW LOOK IN (TRUE, VER., OTHER, CONSERVES)

DEBUNKED SUCH PLANS - OLD AND STUDENTS IN

JEREMIAH'S GIDE? ANYWAY, WE SA - DEALT WITH)

4. "NOW WE ARE TALKING - NO HOPE IN BUT YES,

SAID, "THERE IS HOPE FOR YOUR FUTURE"

11 2500 YEARS, WE WALK BY FAITH

1. THAT ABOUT NAT'L LIFE - INSTITUTIONS

CRUMBLING, RIGHTS DESTROY, CITIES - PRV. INTENT

IN LUXURY, MORAL VALUES FORGETTING

2. THAT NOT CHURCH - DESTRUCTION IS REALITY;

3. THAT ABOUT USE - THE PEOPLE HAVE IN DEC

FUTURE - IF ONE STEP, TAKE THAT, IF NOT,

FAITH - WALK BY FAITH - THERE IS HOPE

OBSEY YOUR LEADERS, AND SUBMIT TO THEM...  
KEEPING WATCH OVER YOUR SOULS."

--REBEWS 13:17

INT. - INSTALLATION TONIGHT

THE GOVERNMENT AND DISCIPLINE OF THE CHUR

1. PROMISE MADE ON JOINING THE CHURCH

2. YOUR LEADERS -- TEACHING AND RULING EL

3. NEW KEEPING WATCH - IF ANY MEMBER STEW

LAX IN XIAN LIFE, DUTY OF ELDERS TO TRY TO

BRING SUCH A ONE TO ACTIVITY AGAIN

4. RESPONSIBLE MEN, WHO MUST GIVE ACCOUNT

5. LIKE X, RULE NOT IN ARROGANCE, BUT IN

SELF GIVING LOVE.

11 REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT

1. QUESTION AT PRESBYTERY - ARE YOU PRESS

2. GOVERNMENT, NOT BY ONE, NOR BY VOTE OF

MAJORITY, BUT BY REPRESENTATIVES IN COUNCIL

BAPTISTS HAVE ELDERS, BUT THEY DON'T RUL

METH. HAVE ELDERS WHO DO RULE, BUT ARE N

REPRESENTATIVES OF PEOPLE

3. PRES. GOVERNED BY ELDERS WHO ARE CHOSEN

BY PEOPLE, RESPONSIBLE, NOT TO PEOPLE, BUT

TO X, HEAD OF THE CHURCH

4. G. A. MADE OF REP. OF PRESBYTERIES, WH

ARE MADE UP OF... WHAT G.A. DOES, WE DO.

EX. CHANGES IN BK OF CR. CRD - CONG. DOESN

VOTE ON THEM, BUT BINDING ON US. GA ENTRUST

WORK TO BOARDS, THEY ARE DOING OUR WORK. CL

11 THE CHURCH IN PERFORMED THEOLOGY

1. THE VISIBLE AND INVISIBLE CHURCH

2. OTHER DEMON. WE ACCEPT ALL WHO ACKN. X

AS LORD. WE DEPLORE DIVISIONS, STRIVE TO

MAKE OUR OWN PART AS PURE AS WE CAN

3. AND WE CALL ON PEOPLE TO BE LOYAL TO CL

CH - OBEY - LORDS MAY DO STING YOU DISAPPROV

BUT STILL LOVE



"This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses." -- Acts 2:32

Int. -- Were you there... my Lord?

Does his resurrection concern us?

I The Apostles and other Xians Witnesses

1. That was the central theme of their preaching -- e.g., Acts 17:31 13:30-33

2. Sol. of Matthias -- to be a witness

3. Acts 10:41 -- "Not to all... but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses"

II The Apostles Are Gone, but Their witness remains

1. Their life and death bear witness still

2. The church, by its existence is W.

3. The Lord's Day

4. The Communion -- commemoration of death, nothing more pointless if he had stayed dead.

5. Paul, "We are found false witnesses" if the dead rise not

III What Sort of Witnesses Are WE?

1. Our presence here today is testimony that we believe this -- but do we believe only once a year?

2. Do we believe that this is important enough to tell people about ~~for their own good~~?

3. Do we consider it such a trivial thing that it is not worth going to any trouble if it happened at all. It is important

1. It makes all the difference bet. life and death

2. And it DID happen, plenty of witnesses

3. Therefore, tell it, live it, act on it, because it is vitally important

MAY DO WE WORSHIP GOD?

Took Job fear God for naught? -- Job 1:9

Int. -- Visitor who read whole book at morning prayer -- Job, Book of the Month

I THE PAYOFF

1. Satan "Of course Job serves God. Look what he's getting out of it!"

2. Many people in Job's day thought that way -- if you worship God, God will pay you off with good crops, long life, health, worldly success.

3. And conversely, when a person suffers misfortune, sickness, loss of children, etc it is because he has sinned, and is being punished for it.

4. The Book of Job is an argument against point of view

II We like to think that we can control God

1. Aladdin's lamp -- genie under control -- you rubbed the lamp, he appeared, carried out orders -- but if you rubbed, no genie, say, "the heck with such nonsense!"

2. So people say, "I'm a Xian. I carry a Bible with me, (or maybe St. Christopher) I expect God to look after me, protect from danger, accident, sickness -- if not..."

a. "I'm said, 'I joined church, attended for a while, then I wanted the work to do so and so for me, he wouldn't. Tiro!"

b. "Min, cand. (I'm, told by Grace) ask for boy, girl born, 'Bible says, 'Ask what you will, I asked, didn't get, I'm thro'!"

c. "God was unjust, took away my child..."

III We worship God because He is GOD

1. Jesus lives the orders -- we watch him, we

2. Jesus, happy too (poor, persecuted, etc)

"He appeared to everyone, even to the twelve, ... 500... James... last of all, to Me."

-- I Cor. 15:5-8

Int. -- In I Cor. 15, Paul is not seeking to prove the resurrection of X. He states it as a fact, known and accepted, even by his opponents, who failed to see significance

I Paul Mentions Outstanding Appearances of Jesus after Resurrection, but not all

1. Matthew -- the two Marys, then the 11

2. Mark -- None, only empty tomb

3. Luke -- Simon, two at Emmaus, 11 with those two -- and in acts, the ascension exp.

4. John -- Mary M., 11 less Thomas, 11 w/ 11 Seven at the Lake

5. Paul also says, "to James", "to Me"

II Manner of His Appearance

1. Sometimes he was there, they saw nothing

2. Sometimes they could see, not recognize

a. Mary that he was the Gardener

b. Two on Emmaus Road

c. Seven at the Lake

3. They knew by the way he spoke, acted

4. When they did see, they were sure

III So, I Am with You Always

1. Always with us, and we can't see -- rare

2. "Aos infieis, Senior", but he does not show himself that way -- they can't see him

3. Galatians, "Saw ye no more? I saw the Rk"

4. How many go to church, see nothing but common things

5. What saw we there hungry...?

AND I SAW THE DEAD, GREAT AND SMALL... AND BOOKS WERE OPENED... ANOTHER BOOK... IF ANYONE'S NAME WAS NOT FOUND WRITTEN...

--REV. 20:12-15

INT. -- REVELATION, NOT A CHART OF HISTORY, BUT A REVELATION OF GOD AND HUMAN DESTINY, CLOSING SCENES, GREAT JUDGMENT, AND LEAVING US DEAD AND RESURRECTION...

1. THIS LIFE TAKES ON MEANING IN LIGHT OF ETERNITY - THIS IS BEGINNING
2. SAY, "THE SOULS OF BELIEVERS..."
3. PARADISE AND BE WITH X, FAR BETTER, THIS DAY... IN PARADISE
4. RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD... WHO ARE THE DEAD RAISED UP? ...WHAT BODY?
5. BUT THE RESURRECTION... ACK, AND ACQUITTED IS THE DAY OF JUDGMENT...

II REWARDS AND PUNISHMENTS

1. DAY OF JUDGMENT -- HUMAN CONCEPT APPLIED TO SOMETHING TOO VAST FOR US TO CONCEIVE
2. JUDGED BY... WRITTEN IN BOOKS, WHAT COME RECORDING ANGEL, BUT IT ALL DOWN -- HUMAN CONCEPT, THIS, BUT IN FACT ALL WE DO, GOOD AND BAD, REALLY HAPPENED, RECORDED IN MIND OF GOD, OPEN TO HIM, AND IN THAT DAY TO US AND ALL MEN, *enough to pass?*
3. NEVER CUP OF COLD WATER... REWARD
4. REWARD... UNTO ME - WE MAY FAIL TO SEE SIGNIF. OF ACTS, BUT ULTIMATE MEANING IS RELATION TO X

III IS MY NAME WRITTEN THERE?

1. MANY BOOKS, THE BOOK - THIS IS VITAL
2. THEN WHY THE OTHERS? IRRELEVANT? THE RECORD IS PART OF US. CAN WE BE PROUD? MUST WE BE ASHAMED? SURELY PRIDE AND SHAME WILL HAVE PASSED AWAY, BUT WE ASIDE, RECORDS WILL
3. LX 12:20. SESSION BOOK, THE BOOK. --

"TRUST IS THE LORD WITH ALL THY HEART, AND LEARN NOT TO THINE OWN UNDERSTANDING."

-- PROV. 3:5

INT. -- ATHEISTS, WE READ ABOUT IN BOOKS DO WE KNOW ANY?

1. WHO, AND WHY?
2. RUSSIANS, OF COURSE, SCIENTISTS
3. SOME CLAIM TO BE A. TO SUCK PEOPLE, OR SEC. THEY THINK IT IS INCONVENIENT ALSO SEC. EXCUSE TO OBLIVIOUS INCONVENIENT STANDARDS OF CONDUCT.

4. GREATER CONCERN FOR THOSE WHO CLAIM FAITH, LIVE IN DISREGARD OF IT
5. BUT SOME SINCERELY REJECT FAITH, SEC. CONFRONTED WITH...

II THINGS WE CANNOT UNDERSTAND, OR EXPLAIN FUTURE LIFE

1. TH. OUTSIDE OUR EXPERIENCE - GOD, SPIRIT
2. STATEMENTS OF FACT IN BIBLE, CONTRARY TO ORDINARY HUMAN EXPERIENCE - MIRACLES, RESURRECTION OF X -- RATE ON CONIFACE, WHAT
3. DIFFICULT DOCTRINES - INCARNATION, TRINITY, PREDESTINATION, ETC.

4. FACTS OF EXPERIENCE THAT SEEM TO BELIEF GOODNESS OF GOD - DISASTERS, SICKNESSES, DEATH
5. RELIGION DEMANDS, NOT ON UNDERSTANDING BUT ON FAITH

1. IF WE COULD EXPLAIN IT, IT WOULD NOT BE FAITH - TERRYSON - BEL. WH. CANNOT PROVE MORE FAITH IN HONEST DOUBT...
2. FACT ON THAT ASSUMPTION -- BUILD PLAN HOPE, IDEALS, CONDUCT, ON IT

3. THIS WAS PROCEDURE OF ABRAHAM, DAVID, OTHERS. - PSALMIST, WITH CONTINUOUS SAY, WHEN ONLY, ANGELS, TRUST... HEART... NOT... UNDERSTANDING

## SPIRITUAL MALNUTRITION

FOR THIS CAUSE MANY ARE WEAK AND SICKLY AMONG YOU, AND MANY SLEEP. -- I COR. 11:30

INT. -- PROFITING FROM MISTAKES OF OTHERS -- CHURCH IN ALL AGES PR. PR. MIST. OF JUDGMENT -- NOT MALNUTRITION

1. PEOPLE FRIGHTENED BY THIS WORD - IF I MAKE A MISTAKE HERE, LOST FOREVER
2. WHEN WE ARE JUDGED, WE ARE CHASTENED... NOT CONDEMNED WITH THE WORLD
3. IF WE JUDGE OURSELVES RIGHTLY WE WOULD NOT BE GUILTY OF THIS, BECAUSE WE SHOULD PERCEIVE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

4. MAKING NO DISTINCTION - BETWEEN THE L'S BODY AND ORDINARY FOOD (SO SCHYSEARE, AND H)
5. FELLOWSHIP SUPPER A COMMON CUSTOM AMONG GREEKS - ADOPTED IN CHURCH

6. BUT SINCE CHURCH INCL. VARIOUS SOCIAL STRATA, FORMED INTO CLIQUES, ARE ACCORDING
7. THEY CONFUSED THIS WITH LORD'S SUPPER
8. BUT OTHERS MAKE NO DISTINCTION

9. PRIEST WHO SERVED COM. IN 1 SHIRT
10. PEOPLE WHO DO IT IN PERFORATORY WAY
11. PEOPLE WHO WILL NOT PERFORM FROM CERTAIN AGES, OR NEXT CERTAIN PERSON
12. PEOPLE WHO ABSTAIN SEC. OF SUPERST. FEAR

13. PEOPLE ABSENT FROM SERVICE BEC. OF CARELESSNESS, FORGETFULNESS, OR OTHER INHERENT SPIRITUAL MALNUTRITION

14. THIS IS THE CHASTENING, INEVITABLE RESULT OF SPIR. FOOD CAUSES WEAKNESS, THEN SICKNESS

15. AND THESE IN TURN MAKE IT HARDER TO EAT AND DIGEST

.....DISOBEY TO PARENTS....." ROM. 1:30s  
 INT - XIAN FAMILY MEET - MOTHERS DAY,  
 ORIGIN, EXPLOITATION - "I LOVE YOU, MOTHER..."

# THE TEXT -- WHY?

1. ROM. 1, A CATALOG OF GROSS SINS AND CRIMES SO BAD WE DON'T LIKE TO READ IT - WHY, IN THE MIDST OF IT, DISOBEY TO PARENTS?
2. IS THE REJECTION OF RESPONSIBILITY TO FAMILY TIES SO SERIOUS? (AFTER ALL, 5TH COM. IS RIGHT IN THERE WITH 6TH, 7TH, 8TH)
3. QUOTE FROM GATELINE - LET'S SEE IF WE CAN FIND WHAT IS LOST, RESTORE IT.
4. THE GENERATION GAP

1. THE DESIRE TO BE ON OUR OWN - TO BE FREE FROM THE PAST, ALL OF US FEEL THIS, ONE WAY OR ANOTHER. *Charles Stone - This is the light of the world*
2. BELIEVE IT OR NOT, YOUNG PEOPLE, GRANDMA WAS YOUNG ONCE, FELT MUCH LIKE YOU DO. BEL. OR NOT, ELDERNS, YOUNG PEOPLE ARE NOT MUCH DIFFERENT FROM WHAT YOU USED TO BE.
3. HERE IN OUR CHURCH, COMMUNITY, PROBLEM NOT SO GRAVE AS IN SOME AREAS; BUT STILL A PROBLEM.

4. THE NEW GENERATION - WHAT DOES IT MATTER ABOUT THE PAST? WE ARE ALIVE NOW, YOUNG NOW - ACT ON THAT, DISREGARD ALL ELSE
5. AND MANY SAY ALSO, WHAT DOES IT MATTER ABOUT THE FUTURE? ONLY NOW - AND SEEK, THROUGH ALCOHOL AND DRUGS TO DELIVERATE PAST AND FUTURE
6. BUT WE CAN'T GET AWAY FROM IT - WE ARE BOUND TO PAST, TO FUTURE, WE ARE.....

# LINKS IN A CHAIN

1. MAYBE THE LAST LINK ON END, BUT LINK STILL - WE CAN BE STRONGER THAN WEAKEST LINK -
2. WE CAN BE WEAKEST LINK - ALL PROMISE OF PAST, COUNTLESS GENERATIONS OF HOPES, WORK, PLANS AND DREAMS BE DESTROYED - BY YOU

THE PRECIOUS SONS OF ZION,  
 WORTH THEIR WEIGHT IN FINE GOLD --

HOW THEY ARE RECKONED AS EARTHEN POTS,  
 THE WORK OF A POTTER'S HANDS IN

-- LAM. 4:2

INT. - 13 MONTHS SIEGE OF JERUSALEM  
 ASSEMBLY YOUTH SUNDAY  
 1. YOUTH, A PRECIOUS GIFT

1. LEGEND OF ROMAN YOUTH WHO ROBE THE CRASH.
2. A TIME OF BEAUTY AND PROMISE
3. SOON PASSES --

PAH, THAT SPRING SHOULD VANISH.....

D. BEGG - "GASTEL TOSA A MINNA"

MOODIADRE NESTE COLEGIUM

# IDEALS FOR YOUTH

1. WORKERLY SUCCESS - CAREER, MARRIAGE HOME - *How a little man in a big room*
2. COMFORTS AND LUXURIES VS. DISCOMFORTS AND ADVERSITY
3. ONE THING VITAL - WAY OF GOD VIA CRUCIS VIA LUCIS - "DENY SELF TAKE UP CROSS AND FOLLOW"

# DEATH AND DESTRUCTION - THANKS IT WAS ONLY A DREAM?

2. IT REALLY HAPPENED TO THEM, AND WAS RECORDED THAT IT MIGHT NOT HAPPEN TO US. EVEN NOW, NOT FAR TO SEEK WRECKED LIVES AND HOPES
3. DREAMS AND PLANS MAY CHANGE - NEW YEAR'S EYE, 1924 - ONE THING CERTAIN IS THAT NO SUCCESS, NO REAL HAPPINESS, EXCEPT IN GOD'S WAY

X Paul Harvey, 8/18/69, told at Dr. Martin

"(I AM WRITING...SO THAT...) YOU MAY KNOW HOW ONE OUGHT TO BEHAVE IN THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD, WHICH IS THE CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD..."

-- 1 TIM. 3:15

INT - MOTHER LOOKING DAGGERS AT ME IN CHURCH

# AUTHORITY IN THE CHURCH

1. TIM. DIDN'T HAVE TO BE TOLD HOW TO BEHAVE! OR EVEN HOW TO CARRY ON CHURCH WORK, AFTER BEING PAUL'S HELPER FOR YEARS. HE DID NEED AUTHORIZATION, AND THIS LETTER PROVIDED THAT
2. APOSTLES HAD UNIQUE AUTHORITY IN CHURCH. THEY PASSED, BUT STILL AUTHORITY - SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT EVOLVED GRADUALLY, BUT ALWAYS AUTHORITY
3. IN SOME CHURCHES MINISTERS CALLED, OTHERS SENT, ALWAYS ACT BY AUTHORIZATION

# HOW TO BEHAVE AND LIVE (TURN ABOUT, LIVE)

1. THAT IS, HOW TO CARRY ON WORSHIP AND WORK OF THE CHURCH
2. PAUL DIDN'T WRITE BOOK OF WORSHIP, OR BOOK OF ORDER, BUT LAID FOUNDATION FOR BOTH
3. NOW WE HAVE BOTH, PREPARED BY AUTHORIZATION OF THE CHURCH, REVISED FROM TIME TO TIME, BY CHURCH

4. HOW TO CONDUCT WORSHIP, OBSERVE SACRAMENTS, ELECT OFFICERS, SET UP BOARDS AND AGENCIES, ORGANIZE NEW CHURCHES.....
5. HOW? ALWAYS IN THE LIGHT OF FACT THAT THE CHURCH IS --

# THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD

1. IT IS GOD'S CHURCH, NOT OURS (CONTRARY TO WHAT SOME THINK)
2. IT IS MADE UP OF PEOPLE, OURSELVES AND OTHERS JOINED TOGETHER BY COVENANT REL. w/ GOD - SIMPLY FALLIBLE PEOPLE - WITH HOLY SPIRIT IN THEM
3. THE BODY OF X - LIKE HIM, HUMAN AND DIVINE
4. MYSTERIOUS, WONDERFUL, GLORIOUS, HOUSEHOLD OF GOD, PILLARS AND GROUND OF THE TRUTH

d. Presbyterian system, no set

PERSEVERE NOT THE GRAVE OF GOD IS VAIN.

INT. - AM I THE A CRYING TEND...

THE GRAVE OF GOD

1. THE CRYING TEND...

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THANKSGIVING OF FAITH

WE LOOK NOT AT THE THINGS THAT ARE SEEN,

.....UNSEEN ARE ETERNAL. - II COR. 4:18

INT. - THANKSGIVING - A DAY, A SEASON,

AN ATTITUDE, AN ACT OF WORSHIP

1 IS IT ALWAYS POSSIBLE TO BE THANKFUL?

1. AFFLICTED, BUT NOT CRUSHED, PERPLEXED,

BUT NOT .....DESPAIR, PERSECUTED; BUT NOT

FORSAKEN, STRUCK DOWN, BUT NOT DESTROYED

2. ALWAYS FACING DEATH - NOT JUST PAUL

3. TREASURE IN EARTHEN VESSELS

4. SITTING ON VOLCANO IN INTERNATIONAL A

11 THINGS SEEN AND UNSEEN

1. THINGS SEEN - FOOD, CLOTHING, HOUSES,

LANDS, STOCK, (2) CARS, GADGETS, PARTIES

2. THINGS UNSEEN - HONESTY, PEACE, LOVE,

BROTHERHOOD, KINDNESS, JOY, HOPE, MERCY,

FAITH, PATIENCE

3. THINGS SEEN - AFFLICTIONS, SICKNESS,

PARTINGS, FINANCIAL LOSSES, THIS BODY

4. THINGS UNSEEN - STRENGTH AND COM-

BOLATION FROM GOD, THE HOUSE NOT MADE

WITH HANDS

11 HOW CAN WE LOOK TO THE THINGS UNSEEN?

1. THE THANKSGIVING OF FAITH

2. GREAT ABUNDANCE MAY BLIND OUR EYES TO

THE UNSEEN, OR GREAT AFFLICTION

3. ELISHA - OPEN HIS EYES

4. REMOURED, AS SEEING.....INVISIBLE!

5. WITH ABUNDANCE OR AFFLICTION, WE HAVE

GOD, AND CAN BE THANKFUL

YEARS OF OPPORTUNITY

LET THEM EAT THE FOOD OF THESE GOOD

YEARS THAT ARE GOING, AND LAY UP SPIRITUAL

---GAL. 6:10

INT. - CHALLENGE (POWER) 30% ACC. AND

1 JOSEPH, THE DREAMER

1. GOD DOESN'T ALWAYS REVEAL HIS INTENTION

THRO DREAMS, LEAST OF ALL TO KINGS, BUT HE

CAN REVEAL IT IN ANY WAY HE SEES FIT

2. YEARS OF ABUNDANCE MAY PROMOTE WASTES;

USED RESPONSIBLY THEY PROVIDE YEARS OF

OPPORTUNITY *Opportunity is not wasted*

11 PRESENT YEARS *are opportunities*

1. YES, PRICES ARE HIGH, TAXES, TOO; BUT

NOW IS A TIME OF ABUNDANCE. MOST OF US HAVE

MORE THAN WE'VE EVER HAD BEFORE. NOW IS THE

TIME TO USE IT RESPONSIBLY. *Baruch 5:4*

2. ABOUT 50,000,000 CAMPAIGN IS AN EFFORT

TO BRING PEOPLE TO GO THAT. *China 1948*

3. CAN ANYONE SAY HAS ANOTHER. (CITIZELLE

AND OTHER CHANGES FAR BEHIND ON THAT)

4. *ALICE* FOR DIFFERENCES - WE SHOULD BE

GOING MORE THAN THAT. (ANY DO THEY' ARE

FOR MORE EACH YEAR?) (ED OF N. MISS RAISED

WIFE, SALARIES, BCD COST OF LIVING GREATER)

ON EVERY FRONT THE NEED IS GREATER (IN

MISSIONS, THEY'D THINK WE WERE CRAZY

IF WE ASKED FOR THAT MUCH, *W. W. W. W.*

5. NOW, IN YEARS OF OPPORTUNITY, ADVANCE)

11 OTHER AREAS OF OPPORTUNITY

1. THE REAL WILL - WHO, I DON'T APPROVE -

....THINK THEY'RE GOING TO DIE!

2. TODAY, STUDY - ADULTS TOO - HIGH, WE CAN

DO THAT ANY TIME! CAN WE? WE CAN NOW!

3. SEES THE LORD WHILE HE MAY BE FOUND



# RESOLUTIONS

WE CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH HIM WHO STRENGTHENS US.  
--PHILIPPIANS 4:13

1ST. "THE NEW SUN ROSE, BRINGING THE NEW YEAR".

1. UNCERTAINITIES IN NATIONAL LIFE, IN CHURCH AS DEMONSTRATION, IN THIS CONGREGATION.

2. UNCERTAINITIES IN HEALTH, FORTUNE, OUR OWN PERSONAL LIVES -- NEW YEAR'S EVE, 1924.

3. TEXT -- WE CAN HAVE CONFIDENCE, NOT IN OURSELVES, BUT IN X.

1. THEN LET US RESOLVE ON IMPROVEMENT.

1. WHAT'S THE USE? -- LIKE PIE CRUST...

2. IF YOU THINK YOU CAN'T, YOU CAN'T -- LIKE WALKING TIGHT ROPE.

3. SHEPHERD OF HERMAS, P. 281FF.

4. TRUST GOD AND TRY, FEAR NEITHER EVIL FORTUNE, FAILURE, OR THE DEVIL.

1. WHAT CAN WE REASONABLY RESOLVE?

1. HOW MANY HAVE READ THE BIBLE THROUGH?

KNOW THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE?

SHORTER CATECHISM?

2. WHO WILL OFFER TO TAKE A TURN AT TEACHING THE ADULT CLASS?

3. HOW ABOUT REALLY STUDYING SS LESSON? IF WE WERE IN SCHOOL, WOULD WE GO TO CLASS WITHOUT LOOKING AT LESSON? (MAYBE, BUT WE WOULD NOT EXPECT APPROVAL)

4. WHAT ABOUT OFFERING TO TAKE A REGULAR TURN AT CLEANING CHURCH, RAKING OR MOWING LAWN, ETC.? SOME ARE DOING SOME OF THAT, SOME DOING MORE THAN THEIR SHARE! HOW ABOUT YOU?

5. MANY ARE IRREGULAR IN WORSHIP. WHAT ABOUT RESOLVING TO GO BETTER IN THAT?

6. OR A REAL EFFORT TO SING, EVEN NEW HYMNS?

CON. -- NOT ONLY RESOLVE, BUT DO! 11 Cor. 8:10

## DOES GOD LAUGH?

WHO WHO SITS IN THE HEAVENS LAUGHS?  
THE LORD HAS THEM IN DERISION. PS. 2:4

INT. -- "THE MAN WHO PLAYED GOOD/MAYBE HE IS CATCHING AT ME!"

1. DOES GOD LAUGH?

1. ANTHROPOMORPHISMS -- CHILDISH WAY TO THINK OF GOD -- HAND, FINGER, EYE... LAUGH

2. IN WHAT TERMS CAN WE THINK OF GOD? HONEST TO GOD -- NOT "UP THERE", "OUT THERE"

REFORMING DOXOLOGY, WHERE BELOW? PASOVER

3. IF GOD IS NOT "OUT THERE" WHERE IS HE? WHERE? IS GOD ONLY AN IDEA? AND IF PPL CEASE TO HOLD IDEA, IS HE DEAD?

IF THERE IS GOD?

1. PS. 42, PPL TAUNTED JESUS, "WHERE IS YOUR GOD? HERE ARE OUR GODS, THEY GIVE IS VICTORY WHERE IS YOUR GOD?"

2. JESUS ON THE CROSS, PPL TAUNTED, "WE CALLED GOD HIS FATHER; WHERE IS THE F. SON? LET HIM COME, TAKE HIM DOWN FROM CROSS, AND WE WILL BELIEVE."

3. AFTER JESUS ROSE, "SHOW HIM TO US, WE'LL BELIEVE!"

4. WHEN, IN DESPERATE NEED, WE PRAY LONG AND EARNESTLY, NO ANSWER APPARENT, PPL SAY, "WHERE IS GOD? RUSSIAN DIDN'T FIND IN SP IF WE WENT FAR ENOUGH WOULD WE FIND HIM?"

5. USED TO BE COMFORTABLE, HEAVEN ABOVE, WELL BELOW, COVER TO COVER BIBLE -- IS FAITH WEAKENED WHEN CONCEPTS CHANGED?

7. FAITH SAYS, "WE CAN'T SEE, KNOW, PROVE" BUT ALL MATTER, PERSONALITY, GOD IN & MORE

1. HE WHO SITS IN HEAVENS LAUGHS

2. DOES GOD L. AT CHILDISH IDEAS, CHURCH WORSHIP, OLD WOMEN SPOUTING...

INT. -- CROSLAND'S STORY OF CONVERSION OF PLACENT SINNER -- DATA, FACTS, ACTS, IS HE SAVED? YES, HE'S IN PROCESS OF BEING SAVED --

1. LOTS HELP YOU -- HARD TO BE SURE IF YOU'VE LOSE IT, YOU NEVER HAD IT!

1. SOLEMN WARNING AGAINST APOSTASY

2. HED. XIANG AT ROAD FORKS, SOME TOOK WRONG WAY -- SHPS DIDN'T HAVE IT, BUT HEAR ENOUGH TO BE "ENLIGHTENED", TO WASTE THE HEAVENLY GIFT

3. A FACT OF EXPERIENCE, SOME APPARENTLY BEGIN XIANG LIFE, THEN FALL AWAY.

IF FRUITS AND PROFS OF SALVATION

1. LOVE TO X AND HIS PEOPLE

2. LOVE TO X SHOWN IN LOVE TO HIS PEOPLE, AND THOSE POTENTIALLY HIS

3. LOVE EXPRESSED IN CONCERN AND SERVICE

4. HONE, RESULTING IN ZEAL

5. HONE, NOT JUST UNHEPUL THINKING

6. HONE OF XIANE CHARACTER, ACT OF BEING ACCEPTED OR FALSE PRETENSE

7. LIKE STUDENT WHO HOPED TO PASS, AND PUTS ALL HIS EFFORT INTO STUDY

8. SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY, RESULTING IN STEADFAST ENCOURAGE

9. NOT FAITH IN OURSELVES, BUT FAITH THAT GOD CARES FOR US, AND GIVEN US RESPONSIBILITY

10. EXAMPLE OF ABRAHAM -- UNDER CONVICTION OF GOD'S PROMISE OF GREAT DESTINY, WHICH DEPENDS ON HIMSELF AS WELL AS ON GOD

11. THAT OFFENSED, NOT JUST ON WORKS, BUT ON ENCOURAGE -- OR IS HOLDING FAST TO IDEAL

12. NOT APPEAR TO BE IDEAL



## THE SPRINKLED BLOOD

IF FOR YOU HAVE NOT COME... BUT TEN...  
SPRINKLED BLOOD THAT SPEAKS MORE GRACIOUSLY  
THAN THE BLOOD OF ABEL. -- HEA. 12:13-24  
INT. - GIRL WHO EATE COMMUNION BREAD AFTER  
I WHAT MAY BE TOUCHED

1. THAT IS, TOUCHED TO YOUR HEART
  2. TERRORS OF SINAI - GOD REVEALED IN SUCH  
WISE THAT PEOPLE MOVED TO TERROR *Calvary too*
  3. "FEAR GOD" - BUT NOT LIVE IN TERROR OF  
HIM, OF INADVERTENTLY BREAKING HIS LAWS
  4. IS GOD THEN NO LONGER TERRIBLE? CAN  
WE TREAT HIM WITH CONTEMPT? GOD FORBID!
  5. SACRIFICE IS A TERRIBLE SIN. GOD IS  
KELY, AND DEMANDS HOLINESS OF US; BUT IN  
X WE EMBOLD THE LOVE OF GOD - NOT AN EASY-  
GONE REDEFINITION; BUT SELF GIVING LOVE
- II THE BLOOD OF ABEL
1. YOUR BROTHER'S BLOOD CRIES OUT FROM  
THE GROUND - A PROTEST AT ALL SIN BE MAN
  2. BLOOD OF X ALSO POURED OUT - CALLING,  
NOT FOR VENGEANCE ON KILLERS, BUT PROCLAIM  
MERCY OF GOD ON ALL MANKIND

III THE SPRINKLED BLOOD

1. COVENANT MADE BY MOSES - HEB. 9:19-20;  
BLOOD SPRINKLED ON PEOPLE, BOOK, TENT, ETC
2. NEW BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT, SHED  
FOR MANY, FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS
3. "WASHED IN BLOOD OF THE LAMB", SPRINKLE  
BLOOD -- NOT LITERALLY, BUT WHEN WE SEE,  
TASTE, GUP OF THE COVENANT, WE ARE MADE  
HAPPY OF THIS BLOOD, SPEAKING GRACIOUSLY

15 FOR THE RICH... BRINGS THEM NOT TO  
SET THEIR HEEDS ON UNCERTAIN RICHES, BUT  
ON GOD... -- 1 TIM. 6:17

INT. - AFFLUENCE AND POVERTY -  
RICHES ARE UNCERTAIN

1. DECEPTIVE, FOR US IMAGINE A SECURITY  
WE DON'T HOLD
2. THEY CAN DESTROY - BUT WE NOT -  
KNOW OF LOSS - IMPLICATION
3. WE CAN DISREGARD - RICH FOR  
I TOGETHER IN OTHER
1. TRUST - HOPE - *Love of money*
2. TRUST WE WANT TO BE RICH - *E) W) T) W)*
3. THERE ARE ARE RICH - BY INHERITANCE, BY  
- TRUST IN DECEIT, OR BUSINESS ACUMEN
4. TO DO TRUST IN RICHES
5. BY TRUSTING WE ARE SHOCK WITH TRUTH
6. BY TRUSTING WE ARE LIVING AS DEAD
7. TRUST - A FALLACY, WE BUT NOTHING  
IN HEAVEN

8. TO THINKING WE CAN CONTROL THINGS  
WITH MONEY - \$50,000 TO \$1M. -- 100  
RETURNING FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS - 1% - WHICH  
SCHEM? DO WHAT I WANT, BUT OFF MY PLEDGE
- 4. CAN WE HAVE RICHES AND NOT TRUST IN  
THEM? YES, BUT DIFFICULT; THEREFORE PAUL  
WARRS IS HERE, NOT TO TRUST IN RICHES, BUT  
III TRUST IN GOD
- 1. TRUST IN GOD, WHO GIVES ALL WE HAVE, AND  
2. IN GOD, IN WHOM EVERY SIN AND PLEA  
STAND CRUSH

3. TRUST SIN, AND LACK WHAT WE CAN
4. TRUST HIM AND GIVE WHAT WE CAN
5. TRUST HIM, AND HOLD NOTHING WE HAVE  
AS SAVING TRUST FOR SIN

"We have an altar whereof those who serve  
the tabernacle have no right to eat."  
-- Heb. 13:10

INT. - The Communion table is not an altar  
I Eating the Sacrifice was part of the Sacr

1. Custom in heathen rel., also in Israel
2. No sacr. in Xian worship - After Conster  
heathen idea of sacr. came in, developed  
his doctrine of Mass *After sacr. celebrated by  
priests*
3. Communion is not a sacrifice - We eat  
and drink in commemoration of sacr. once for  
all offered by X for us *Participation only keeps  
Sac. of atonement not from table in  
II But We Do Have an Altar*

1. Not a literal one, but we accept and  
participate in Sacrifice offered by Christ

2. X is become both our Passover (1 Cor.  
5:7) and our sac. of atonement (Lev. 16)

3. To the Jews this was an offense, that  
the Messiah should be the cursed goat of  
atonement, burned outside the camp

4. Yet Xians partake of him, eating his  
flesh symbolically (John 6:48-58)

III They Have No Right to Eat

1. Accepting Jesus as both Messiah and  
atonement, they eat thselves off from Israel
2. Terrible thing to be cut off from our  
own people - of Xians in Hitler Germany
3. When we accept X as our atonement, we  
cut ourselves off from the world - random  
ing anything and everything that comes in  
conflict with him. Let us go forth, cursing  
camp, bearing reproach" Let people call us  
"different", or whatever they may. We take  
our stand with him, for him, forever

*Participation by those in Communion*

THE SON OF GOD GOES FORTH TO WAR  
"And he went out conquering and to conquer."  
--Rev. 8:2

Int. - hymn - The Son of God Goes forth  
conquering and to conquer

1. Jesus HAS overcome world (Jo 18:38), destroyed Satan (Rev. 12:14) overcome death
2. Yet, he is still conquering - "we will be bath put all enemies... last enemy."
3. So also ourselves - we ARE saved, but are also BEING saved, and look to final Sal - We are forgiven, but still need forgiveness - we are victors (1 Jo 2:13) more than Gens (Rom. 8:37) but still struggle

II. A Spiritual Warfare

1. If it were only a question of physical who could stand against God?
2. Xians sum back this idea literally - Charlemagne and Saxons - ~~inquisition~~ <sup>inquisition</sup>
3. The weapons of our warfare are not carnal (II Cor. 10:4) - X is not subject to DESTROY, nor are we, but to subjugate
4. Only those are subject to him who are so by their own will

III Who Follows in His Trail?

1. Who is able to open back?... Men of c. has prevailed.... Lamb, as it had been slain
2. Are ya able to drink the cup...?
3. Not only suffering, martyrdom, etc. by of yielding our selves, accepting his will
4. It is his life that conquers - only as we forgive, accept, participate in his S. can we become his soldiers

IV The Cosmic Struggle

1. Early Xians that soon brought to council

"THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH... WILL GUIDE YOU INTO ALL THE TRUTH..."  
-- JOHN 16:13

INT. - PENTECOST INITIATED-A NEW DIMENSION  
IN THE ACTIVITY OF THE SPIRIT  
I THE GUIDANCE OF TRUTH

1. WE WALK IN MOST OF MYSTERIES, UNCERTAINTY - TRUTH, WHEN REVEALED, WILL GIVE ANSWERS
2. ARISTOTLE, LEONARDO, GREAT SCIENTISTS FOR THEIR TIMES. MANY UNKNOWN FACTORS RENDERED THEIR GOOD WORK USELESS TODAY
3. JESUS, MANY THINGS TO SAY... SPIRIT GUIDE... II THE SPIRIT SPEAKING THRO' THE WORD

1. HE WILL BRING TO REMEMBRANCE... TAKE TH. OF GOD AND SHOW TO YOU...

2. CONF. OF FAITH, CH. 1, PAR. 4-10

3. HERE LETTER OF 53 VAIN - OUR FASTEST DON-TRACTS ANOTHER: A THIRD IN CONFLICT WITH DON
4. ONLY THE SPIRIT SAVES LIFE TO MEN, MAKES IT REALLY REVELATION - PAR. 10, SPIRIT...

III NOW IS THE VOICE OF THE SPIRIT TO BE HEARD

1. SPIRIT WORKS, NOT ONLY IN INDIVIDUALS, BUT IN GROUPS, TWO INTERACTION BETWEEN MINDS
2. JESUS, WHEN TWO OR THREE MET TOGETHER, I (NOT PHYSICAL BODY, BUT HOLY SPIRIT) IN MIGHT WHEN TWO OR THREE AGREE IN PRAYER...
3. THE CHURCH IS GATHERING OF PEOPLE IN SPIRIT
4. PUBLIC WORSHIP, IN WHICH TOGETHER WE SEEK TO KNOW GOD THRO' THE SPIRIT, MUCH MORE THAN INDIVIDUAL WORSHIP CAN EVER BE.
5. CHURCH COURTS (SOME NEXT SUNDAY) MEET TO DECIDE ISSUES UNDER GUIDANCE OF SPIRIT.

IV GUIDE YOU INTO ALL TRUTH

1. HE WILL GUIDE - BUT NOT ALL AT ONCE. APOS FILLED W/ SPIRIT, BUT INCAPABLE OF WRITING NICENE CREED; IT TOOK 300 YEARS OF GUIDANCE; AND COUNCIL OF NICAEA... WESTM. CONF.
2. BUT NEITHER NICENE CREED NOR WESTM. CONF. HAS ALL THAT GOD HAS TO SAY. WE HAVEN'T HEARD IT ALL!
3. IS THE CHURCH CHANGING TOO FAST FOR YOU (STOP THE WORLD... GET OFF) LET THE SPIRIT

"Remember the commandments to do them."  
-- Pa. 103:18

Int. - THIS IS MY GOD, by Herman Wouk  
I The strength of Judaism has been in doing  
1. We are not Jews, cannot be, but our roots are in Judaism.

2. Sacrifices past
3. Ceremonies and special days ritual prayers, unleavened bread

The Sabbath - "I don't envy you your religion, but I do envy you your Sabbath"  
4. Deut. 32:46, 7 W. be careful to DO; for it is no trifle for you, because it is your life. <sup>Not saved by doing, but saved by having</sup>  
II The Danger of Abandonment

1. Jews live in modern world, among ppl who don't observe these things. Why do it Too much trouble. Don't like to be different
2. Xians too, brought up to observe Xian practices, often get away. <sup>S. & Calvin</sup>
3. No law (of men) to hold you to it, you observe because you WANT to or not at all
4. You observe because you believe in GOD, or else you drift away

III Be Ye doers of the Word - Remembrance

1. Reading Bible, prayer, Catechism
2. Regular attendance at worship
3. Singing in the choir - or out of it
4. Participating in SS, Men of Church, WCC, PYP -- What's the use, I don't get anything out of that.
5. No trifle... your life
6. Communion - this DO in remembrance all our doing - we need to cling to him, lest we be swept away, we, and our obdu.

"YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH" - MATT. 5:13  
 INT. - ROMANS THAT SALT PUREST THING, CAME FROM SEA AND SUN. NIHIL UTILIUS SOLE ET SALE  
 MUCH PEOPLE ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH.  
 1. SALT IS TO GIVE FLAVOR

1. ALSO TO PRESERVE - PLUTARCH, "SALT APPL. TO MEAT GIVES A NEW SOUL TO A DEAD BODY"
2. FUNCTION OF X'ANS TO GIVE FLAVOR TO LIFE
3. THEN HOW ABOUT LONG FACED XIANS?

SWINBURNE - "TRACED HAST CONQUERED, O PALE GALILEEAN, THE WORLD HAS GROWN GRAY WITH THY BREATH." (LSEN (OVER) C.M. HOLMES, "I MIGHT HAVE ENTERED THE MINISTRY IF CERTAIN CLERGY-MEN I KNEW HAD NOT LOOKED AND ACTED SO MUCH LIKE UNDERTAKERS".

4. BUT JESUS WAS NOT LIKE THAT - ATTITUDE TOWARD FASTING - EATING AND DRINKING - BUT. CONTRAST ATTITUDE TOWARD BREAD - DISC. FORGOT TO TAKE IT, SO WHAT? ONE DISH ENOUGH

5. NO PARTY BOY - HE WAS A MAN OF SORROW..... GRIEF, BUT HE DID LIVE A JOYFUL LIFE  
 6. THEN CHEER UP, WHY BE GRIEVED? - IS THAT IT?  
 IF FUNCTION OF X'ANS TO BE PEOPLE OF GOD, AND THUS GIVE FLAVOR TO LIFE

1. "WE LOVE HIM BEC. HE FIRST LOVED US" - RECOGNIZING GOD'S LOVE FOR US, WE LOVE HIM, AND COMMIT OURSELVES TO HIM, STRIVE TO MAIN-TAIN XIAN IDEALS - NOT ALWAYS SUCCESSFULLY
2. AND THE VERY PRESENCE OF PEOPLE LIKE THAT CHANGES THE WORLD - GIVES IT FLAVOR

3. DEDICATION OF BX - "TO WHO MAKES THE BEST SEEM EASILY CREDIBLE"

4. "I DON'T HAVE ANY REL., BUT MY MOTHER WAS A REAL XIAN" - EVANG. SAYS, "YOUR MOTHER'S FAITH WON'T SAVE YOU" - TRUE, BUT A MAN WHO CAN AT LEAST BELIEVE IN FAITH NOT WHOLLY VOID
5. OUR TASK, BE XIAN, LY RESULTS TO GOD

1. WHAT HAPPENS TO SALT PUT IN FOOD? DIASPORA!  
 2. "GRAIN OF WHEAT.....DIE!" - "HAVE LIFE, LOSE SERVANT PPL, NOT TO RULE WORLD, CONVERT, BUT BE GOD'S PPL, THUS SERVE WORLD  
 4. WHEN YOU TASTE SALT, TOO MUCH - NOV. 14, 22

"THE GOOD SHEPHERD LAYS DOWN HIS LIFE FOR THE SHEEP."  
 - JOHN 10:11

INT. - FIGURES JESUS USED OF HIMSELF - BREAD, WATER, SIGHT, WAY, VINE, DOOR, SON  
 GOOD SHEPHERD LAYS DOWN HIS LIFE  
 1. REALLY?

1. RARELY, IN FACT - MORTALITY RATES ON SHEPHERDS NOT ESPECIALLY HIGH
2. BUT THEY CONSTANTLY FAGED DANGERS, FROM ROBBER, BEASTS, AND ELEMENTS
3. LOVE WOLVES, BEARS, WHAT'EVER, THEY HOWL DEFEND SHEEP, SOMETIMES DIE IN DEF. IF WHY?

1. WELL, LIKE SAILORS, SOLDIERS, ENGINEERS, MINERS, DANGER WAS PART OF THE JOB

2. BUT WHY TAKE THE RISK? LOSS OF ONE OF TWO SHEEP WOULDN'T BREAK HIM.
3. SURELY HE DIDN'T LOVE THE SHEEP! HOW COULD ANYBODY LOVE SHEEP? THOSE D... SHP
4. BUT THEY WERE HIS. HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THEM. WHAT HURT THEM HURT HIM. JUST AS THE GOOD SHEPHERD

1. IN CT, GOD OFTEN LIKENED TO SHEPHERD ISRAEL THE SHEEP

2. MOSEA, "EPHRAIM IS JOINED... IDOLT, LET HIM SO I'LL NOT MY PEOPLE" YES, THEY ARE MY PEOPLE, TOO. "HOW CAN I GIVE YOU UP?"
3. ISRAEL, "CALL ME, LIKE SHEEP...." STUPID SELFISH, REBELLIOUS SHEEP!"
4. ONLY THE SHEPHERD MAKES IT A FLOCK, NOT JUST SCATTERED SHEEP, OTMS AT COST

Wine is a mocker

-- Prov. 20:1

Int. - Decision of WUSA Gen. Assembly, 300, as papers said, that moderate drinking is OK, but while encouraging abstinence, recog, that many X'ans, in good conscience do drink - supposedly in moderation

1. Wine (beer, whisky, etc.) Is a mocker

1. Deceptive - makes people think they are brilliant, witty, beautiful, successful
2. It removes from reality - forgetfulness
3. It promises happiness, does not deliver
4. Brings waste of substance, ruin of home

II But Is It Then ALL Evil? Think moderate

1. If so, why not forbidden in SS? Why did X and associates use it?
2. Not all people affected equally
3. Moderation often insured by scarcity - frugal by nature, scarce knew that temp. was a virtue" - Intemp. gen. assoc. w luxury
4. It preserves the sweetness of grapes - those who have many ways to preserve this - also vitamins, not easily had
5. Wine and beer, less so spirits, have some medicinal value, used in proper mod, may be beneficial to health. B U T...

III Offset by Growing Menace of Alcoholism

1. Waste of money - AT BEST, MAYBE it does not do much harm! Traffic beyond
2. Growing number of alcoholics - people susceptible in such manner that they lose control, drink more and more - Not MS, so all said.
3. Disease? So is kleptomania, homicidal mania - but murder, stealing, still sin

"HOW VERY GREAT HIS POWER AT WORK IN US WHO BELIEVE. THIS POWER IN US IS THE SAME AS THE MIGHTY STRENGTH WHICH HE USED WHEN HE RAISED CHRIST FROM DEATH." -- EPH. 1:19-20

INT. - EASTER - TIME OF JOY - GOD HAS DONE A WONDERFUL THING.

1. THE RESURRECTION OF X IS NOT MERELY A HISTORICAL FACT

1. IT WAS A MIGHTY WORKING OF THE POWER OF GOD - NOT THE SAME AS WHEN LAZARUS OR JAIKUS' DAUGHTER RAISED FR. DEATH (OR TRANCE) - THEY LIVED A WHILE AND DIED

2. JESUS, STILL GOD AND MAN, IS ALIVE FOREVER. REM. 1:18, "I DIED, AND BEHOLD I AM ALIVE FOR.

3. IT HAS EFFECTS FAR BEYOND THAT TIME AND PLACE

4. PHIL. 3:10 - "THAT I MAY KNOW HIM, AND THE POWER OF HIS RESURRECTION" - PAUL, FAR AHEAD OF THE REST OF US, KNEW THERE WAS MUCH MORE TO BE REALIZED OF RESURRECTION POWER

1. HOW VERY GREAT HIS POWER AT WORK IN US...

1. TO DESTROY ENMITY, CREATE UNITY - MAKE US, WHATEVER WE HAVE BEEN, PART OF HIS BODY

2. TO MAKE US NEW PEOPLE, WHO HAVE AS IDEAL THE PATTERN OF CHAPTERS 5, 6

3. TO GIVE US AS HIS GIFTS TO CHURCH, WORLD - MAYBE NOT APOSTLES, PROPHETS, EVEN PASTORS AND TEACHERS, BUT A FUNCTION SUITABLE TO OUR GIFTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES

4. PRINCE CHARLES, WHAT DOES IT FEEL LIKE? TO KNOW WE ARE MARKED FOR STING SPECIAL - DESTINED AND APPOINTED TO LIVE FOR HIS GLORY

1. THE HOPE TO WHICH HE HAS CALLED US

1. THE POWER THAT RAISED X HAS AT THE SAME TIME DOING STING TO US

2. WE ARE NOT UNIMPORTANT COGS IN MEANINGLESS MACHINE - WE SHARE X'S IMMORTAL LIFE

3. EVEN IF NOW WE ARE:

CHOW, SUBJ. TO PARENTS, TEACHERS, JUVES, UNDERANS, SOUND BY MAR. RESP. SOLDIERS UNDER ORDERS, PRISONERS, SLAVES

4. POWER OF GOD WORKING IN US...

"CALL THE SABBATH A DELIGHT"...

INT. - EULLETTIN - LORD'S DAY... 188813

1. THE COMMANDMENT - REMEMBER THE SABBATH

1. PEOPLE OFTEN THINK OF IT AS A BURDEN

AMOS 3:15, "WHEN WILL... THE SABBATH BE PASTE SOME PEOPLE CONSIDER A LOT OF RELIGION A BURDEN - MAL. 1:13, "WHAT A WEARINESS!"

2. LEGALISM - IT WAS A COMMANDMENT, OK, BUT LIES IN JESUS' DAY CARRIED IT TO ABSURDITY, JESUS REVOLTED AGAINST IT - 1. MADE FOR HIM

3. LATTER DAY LEGALISM - 3. CAT. "HIGHLY RESTING".....WHOLE DAY IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE WORSHIP?.....WORKS OF NECESSITY AND MERCY - ROOSTER CROWS.....MONDAY - "NOT ON SUNDAY?"

1. COM. WAS BECAUSE OF MAN'S NEED - BUT NOW CAN WE AVOID LEGALISM, STILL KEEP SABBATH?

1. BLUE LAWS? NO, BUT WITHOUT THEM S. IS GRADUALLY ERODED, DISAPPEARS

2. STORES OPEN, SOMEBODY MUST BE THERE, ETC

3. "I'D COME TO CHURCH IF...ANY DAY BUT SUNDAY, MY DAY TO GO FISHING"

4. IS SUNDAY MY DAY? TO USE AS I PLEASE? DOES GOD HAVE ANY CLAIM ON IT.

5. DO WE OWE GOD 1/7 OF OUR TIME, 1/10 OF OUR MONEY? ISN'T IT ALL HIS?

1. CAN WE MAKE SUNDAY A DELIGHT?

1. YOU CAN'T EAT YOUR CAKE AND HAVE IT TOO - YOU CAN'T TAKE IT FOR YOUR OWN AND STILL HAVE A HOLY DAY? *Yes, but how?*

2. IF WE CAN REALLY HAVE A DAY OF REST, GOOD - WE NEED IT - PRESERVES OF LIFE

3. IF WE CAN REALLY HAVE A DAY OF WORSHIP, GOOD - WE NEED THAT TOO

4. ISA. "DELIGHT MYSELF IN THE LORD" - WE NEED TO LEARN TO LOVE GOD - PROSPECT OF ETERNITY IN WORSHIP - IF WE HAVEN'T LEARNED TO LOVE, WORSHIP GOD, WORSE THAN ALL FIRE!

5. SUNDAY CAN BE A DELIGHT, FOR REST, FOR WORSHIP - BUT REQUIRES A CONSCIOUS EFFORT

1. 2A - COL. 2:16, ROM. 14:5, 6, 9, 10 TO SAY SABBATH OBSERVANCE NOT COR. FOR JAIKUS

But commandment still says *1 day*

2. *On Sabbath of observance - 1 day*

3. *On Sabbath of observance - 1 day*

4. *On Sabbath of observance - 1 day*

## FACING THE FUTURE

LORD, IT IS GOOD FOR US TO BE HERE; LET US MAKE THREE TABERNACLES....." -- MARK 9:15

INT. - XMAS BEGINS AT THANKSGIVING -- ENDS AT XMAS - TODAY THE DAY AFTER.

1. THE HIGH MOUNTAIN

1. CAESAREA PHILIPPI - "THOU ART THE CHRISTH 14.

2. THE TWELVE - THE THREE

3. THE MOUNTAIN - PART OF HERMON? "WHO PRAYH

4. LUKE, "HEAVY WITH SLEEP" - EARLY MORNING? PRAY ALL NIGHT, WHILE THEY SLEPT? PHPS, AS IN GETHSEMANE, "A STONE'S THROW AHEAD" - SWIRLING CLOUDS, SUDDEN SHAFT OF SUNLIGHT, THEN CLOUD AGAIN?

5. GLORY BEYOND THAT OF MORNING SUN - NOT ONE, BUT THREE! WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE - GOOD

1. THREE TABERNACLES - SHRINES

1. PETER, ALWAYS IMPULSIVE, SPOKE OUT

2. HE WANTED TO HOLD ONTO THIS EXPERIENCE - TOO PRECIOUS TO LOSE - BUILD A SHRINE, TO HOLD IT

3. JUST AS PEOPLE (PARENTS OR CHILDREN) OFTEN SEEK TO HOLD TO CHILDHOOD, YOUTH -- OR TO ANY PAST EXPERIENCE, AS WAR SERVICE - SUREST WAY TO LOSE IS TRY TO HOLD.

4. JUST AS PEOPLE CLING TO OLD HOME CHURCH - COMPARISON, H. AND G. ROWE'S VISIT TO CITR.

1. FACING THE FUTURE

1. DAY AFTER XMAS - SOON TREE COMES DOWN, OUT WITH GARBAGE, DECORATIONS PUT AWAY - IF WE LEFT THEM UP, UTTERLY LOST, PAST AND FUTURE

2. "LEAVE FATHER AND MOTHER...WIFE" - STILL PART OF FAMILY, BUT GOING ON TO NEW RELATIONS

3. WE CAN'T HAVE XMAS EVERY DAY, BUT CAN HAVE SON OF GOD EVERY DAY - LO, I AM WITH YOU... EVEN TO THE END OF AGE

4. *On Sabbath of observance - 1 day*

5. *On Sabbath of observance - 1 day*

6. *On Sabbath of observance - 1 day*

7. *On Sabbath of observance - 1 day*



THOU DIDST ASCEND...LEADING CAPTIVES...  
RECEIVING GIFTS...EVEN AMONG THE REBELLIOUS  
--PSALM 68:18

INT. - MESSIAH, HGT WAS COMPANY OF PRGHR  
I THOU DIDST ASCEND

1. PSALM WRITN ABOUT (POSSIBLY NEAR TIME OF  
BRINGING ARK INTO JERUSALEM

2. IS THIS END OF STORY? GOD'S RESTING PL  
LATER, TEMPLE - SOL: HEAVEN...CANNOT CONTAIN

3. PAUL - WHAT IT WAS REALLY ABOUT WAS  
ASCENSION OF X - EPH. 4:1-13

II LED CAPTIVITY CAPTIVE - MOST OF CAPTIVES  
I FIG. OF TRIUMPHANT KING - OF. II COR 2:

2. MAKE ME A CAPTIVE, LORD  
III RECEIVED GIFTS FROM MEN

1. PAUL, EPH. SAYS GAVE GIFTS TO MEN - AND  
WHAT SORT OF GIFTS? APOSTLES. PROPHETS.....

PASTORS AND TEACHERS.....

2. WHAT WE GIVE TO GOD, WHAT HE ACCEPTS FR  
US, IS REALLY A GIFT GIVEN TO US - PHIL. 1:29

UNTIL YOU IT IS GIVEN... SUFFER FOR HIS SAKE

3. THE ONLY GIFT WE CAN GIVE TO GOD IS  
OURSELVES -- OUR SERVICE AS FAITHFUL FOLLOWERS

OR AS SPECIAL WORKER - AND THAT IS HIS GIFT  
TO US *...the church...the world...the universe...*

4. AND HIS GIFT TO THE CHURCH, AS PAUL SAYS  
IV EVEN TO THE REBELLIOUS.....GOD DWELL W/ THEM

1. CP. ISA. 65:2 "ALL DAY LONG.....REBELLIOUS

2. EVEN WHEN, IN OUR REBELLION, WE REFUSE  
OURSELVES TO GOD, HE IS STILL CONCERNED WITH

US, SEEKING US, THAT HE MAY DWELL WITH US -  
THAT HE MAY GIVE US THE GIFT OF GIVING OURSELV

INTHE LOVE OF X CONTROLS (CONSTRAINING)....FOR  
...ONE DIED FOR ALL...ALL DEAD...THOSE WHO LIVE

...NOT FOR THEMSELVES BUT FOR HIM...  
--II COR. 5:14-15

INT. - WHY DID PAUL, OTHERS, ACT THAT WAY?  
(SOME THAT THEY WERE CRAZY) THEY BELIEVED

THAT ONE DIED FOR ALL...BOOK OF ROMANS (NEXT  
I WHAT DOES IT MEAN WHEN WE SAY, "X DIED FOR

1. IT MEANS I WAS DEAD (WHAT? CENTURIES  
BEFORE I WAS BORN?)

2. IT MEANS ALL WERE DEAD. 2. CAT. HALL NAMED  
BY THE FALL, LOST CON. WITH GOD.....

3. DOES THAT MEAN ABRAHAM? MOSES? SAMUEL?  
DAVID? ELIJAH? ISAIAH? JEREMIAH? EZRA? ALL

THE REST THAT TRIED SO HARD, DID SO WELL?  
(AND STILL CAME SO FAR SHORT) -- Act. 11

4. THEY WERE GREAT MEN, DID WELL, BUT COULD  
NOT ATTAIN ETERNAL LIFE/APART FROM GOD'S GRAC

II WHO THEY LIVED AND DIED LONG BEFORE HIM,  
THEIR LIFE WAS GOD'S GIFT, THEN X

1. NOT ALL EQUALLY DEAD, BUT ALL DEAD -  
WHOME RIGHTNESS, NO, NOT ONE

2. THEIR LIFE WAS BY FAITH IN GOD, WHO SAVE  
HIMSELF IN X

3. WHO THEY NEVER LIVED TO SEE HIM, HE LIVED  
FOR THEM TOO

4. IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR ABRAHAM, MOSES,  
ETC., HUMANLY SPEAKING, X COULD NOT HAVE COME

5. AND IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR GOD'S LOVE,  
ABRAHAM, NONE OF THE REST COULD HAVE HAPPENED

- AND THAT LOVE WAS REALLY MADE KNOWN ON CROSS  
6. HOW? HOW COULD X'S DEATH AFFECT THOSE

LONG BEFORE HIM? LONG AFTER? WHO CAN EXPLAIN.  
BUT IT WAS SO - SO APOSTLES BECAME UNDERSTOOD

IT, SO WE STILL BELIEVE  
III COMPELLING LOVE

1. DEC. HE LOVE, HE DIED FOR ALL, FOR ME

2. NOT JUST SO I COULD SO WHN, PLAY HARD, BUT  
SO I COULD SEE HIS - LIVE, NOT FOR SELF, FOR HIM

3. COMMUNION, WITNESS TO THIS FAITH - HE  
DIED FOR ME, I BELONG TO HIM

IF I TOUCH EVEN HIS GARMENTS I SHALL BE MADE  
WELL, "  
--MARK 5:28

INT. - "GOD THERE IS A MYSTERIOUS WAY...."  
IV STORY OF MAN FLEIGNED DISABILITY, PARALYSIS,

FOLLOWING INSIGNIFICANT INJURY BY BUS, SUB, 6  
1300,000, WENT TO HEALING SHRINE IN MEXICO TO

BE "HEALED" - BLIND BOY HEALED, HE WENT BLIND  
I FAITH VS. MAGIC

1. BLINDMAN'S LAMP (BUT EVEN THERE ENERGY WAS  
EXPENDED, IT DIDN'T JUST HAPPEN)

2. WE ALL WANT TO SEE THINGS HAPPEN WITHOUT  
RESPONSIBILITY - WIN FORTUNE ON LOTTERY, ATTAIN

SUCCESS BY LUCKY NOT WORK

3. PEOPLE THINK PRAYER IS LIKE THIS - LET GOD  
DO IT, GIVE ME THE TROUBLE - IT DOESN'T COST

ME ANYTHING

4. AFTER PENDING 5,000 - HE'S OUR MESSIAH!  
LET'S MAKE HIM KING, HE'LL HAVE TO WORK ANY WHN

5. FAITH LIKE MAGIC - YOU JUST BELIEVE, AND  
THERE IT IS!

6. INFRASTRUCTURE OF ENERGY ALSO MEANS  
NOTHING WITHOUT EXPENDITURE OF ENERGY

I FAITH VS. CREDULITY

1. THE WOMAN THOUGHT, "IF I CAN JUST TOUCH....."  
BUT WHEN IT HAPPENED, JESUS FELT IT!

2. STORY OF CHINESE WHO PRAYED FOR ICE - MAIL  
3. MIRACLES AT LAURENCE, ET AL

4. GOD ACTS AS HE SEES FIT - AT TIMES FURGLE  
FAITH, EVEN HUMBLE CREDULITY MAY BE MEANS OF

GOD'S ACTION

III FAITH VS. ARROGANCE

1. WEATHER REL. SEEK BY CHAINS, SEPERACHIES,  
ETC. TO CONTROL THEIR GODS, OR PROPITIATE THEM

2. MANY LIARS THERE, YIP I CAN JUST BELIEVE IT  
I CAN MAKE GOD DO WHAT I WANT.

3. BUT WE DON'T EVER CONTROL GOD! *and love*

4. FAITH IS BELIEF, COMMITMENT, HUMILITY, TRUST,  
TRY

5. IN STORY, WAS PUBLISHED FOR 300,000,000,  
RECEIVED BY WHOLE HUMAN RACE. IS IT NOT OUT BY  
IT, ONLY BY WHOLE HUMAN RACE, ONLY BY WHOLE